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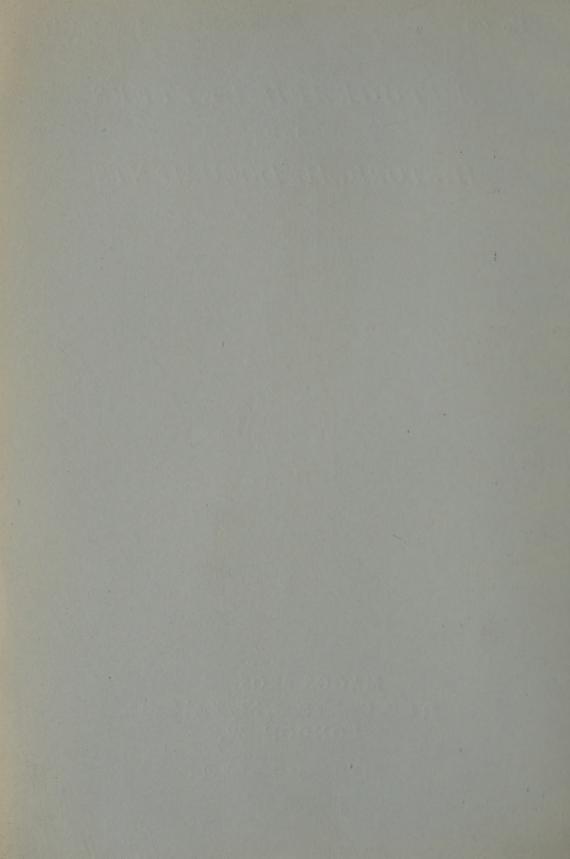
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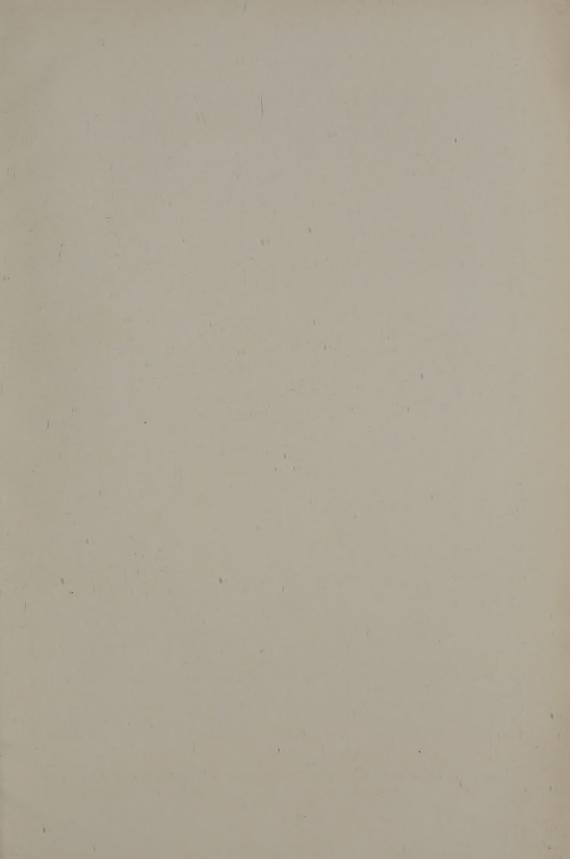


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Alliance negotiating at Paris between the courts of Madrid and Vienna by which Spain was to join with the fleet whenever required; this Treaty is mentioned as being intended against the Northern countries and the involving of Europe in another general war. A letter from Lord Cathcart at St. Petersburg refers to the possibilities of obtaining an alliance of the Powers of the North, England, Russia, Sweden and Denmark, as he thinks France is attempting to entice Prussia.

Goodriche is informed of the King of Sweden's visit to Paris to solicit payment of arrears of subsidy due to the late king, the difficulty of raising the money in Paris, and the probability of France not intermeddling in the affairs of Sweden at the approaching Diet in 1771 to which George III contributed £25,000 to support the interests of Russia in Sweden.

A letter from Sir Thomas Wroughton in 1764 refers to the death of the King of Poland, and the possibility of giving the vacant crown to Count Stanislaus Poniatowski, a former lover of Catherine of Russia, who was eager to see him on the throne of Poland, as his weakness would ensure his remaining a submissive tool. The election was decided by the presence of the Russians, and Stanislaus Poniatowski was unanimously chosen by a diet from which the vast majority of electors had absented themselves.

### 287 BYRON (GEORGE GORDON, LORD, 1788-1824). AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "BN."

4 pp., 8vo. Circa 1814.

£35

A very fine letter greatly praising the character of his friend Hobhouse. Replying to a question as to his work, he says he is doing nothing, his head being "in a chaotic state of all possible jarrings."

It was in September, 1814, that Byron proposed to Miss Milbanke, who then refused him, but they were eventually married on 2 Jan.,

"I can I think venture to prophesy that the more you allow my friend Hobhouse to become acquainted with you, the more you will like him. He possesses all the qualities you mention and I can add from experience that he is sincere, active and unalterable in his friendships. God knows, I have but too

LORD BYRON ON THE PLANS FOR THE LIBERATION OF GREECE. From Missolonghi two months before his death.

288 BYRON (GEORGE GORDON, LORD).

THREE AUTOGRAPH LETTERS (ON ONE SHEET) TO MR. BLAQUIÈRE (SECRETARY TO THE GREEK COMMITTEE IN LONDON) WRITTEN RESPECTIVELY BY THE THREE LEADERS FOR GREEK INDEPENDENCE, VIZ., PRINCE MAVROCORDATO, THE GREEK LEADER, LORD BYRON AND COLONEL STANHOPE, THE TWO ENGLISH LEADERS. JANUARY, 1824.

TOGETHER WITH PRINCE MAVROCORDATO'S PLANS FOR THE ATTACK ON LEPANTO, WHICH WAS FOUND IN BYRON'S POUCH AFTER HIS DEATH. £150

We can hardly imagine a more sentimental record of Byron's attachment to the cause of Greek Independence—an attachment which caused his early death—than these documents penned a few months before his fatal illness.

The first letter occupies 3 pages, 4to, and is from the Greek Leader, Prince Mavrocordato, written in French, dated from Missolonghi  $\frac{18}{30}$  January, 1824, in which he deals with the question of obtaining funds and makes interesting reference to Lord Byron.

"Les Connaissances, le zèle, les moyens de My Lord Byron, ceux que Le Comité vient de mettre à notre disposition, tout enfin sera mis en oeuvre pour obtenir quelque avantage avant le retour de la belle saison."

Mr. Blaquière had invited Mavrocordato to London to plead his cause in person for Greek Independence, and he refers to this invitation:—

"Quant à votre désir de me voir chez vous tout flatté que je dois être de ce sentiment. Je me puis pas cependant me persuader qu'il me serait pardonnable de qu'itter me atrie dans les momens actuels du reste nes députés sont déià

de quitter ma patrie dans les momens actuels, du reste nos députés sont déjà parmi vous, et j'espère que vous serez aussi indulgent envers eux que vous l'auriez été envers moi."

Lord Byron has himself made a marginal comment concerning Blaquière's

invitation, writing:

"Certainly not unless P. Mavrocordato wishes to risk his influence—and the hopes of Greece for the present."

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(2) Lord Byron then writes a short letter in English at the root of the third page:—
"F(eb) 1, 1824, Dear Sir, I have hardly a moment to write as the boat is going. Things look well, d—n the Chevaliers d'Industrie at Malte. Keep up your spirits and we will see what is to be done—Yrs ever N.B."

(3) Colonel Stanhope follows with his letter on the fourth page:—
"My dear B—Parry has arrived in Greece and the articles have all been disembarked—Ld Byron has been officially nominated to the comd of the Troops (3,000) destined to attack Lepanto. Should the measure succeed & I think it will, it will strengthen the cause prodigiously—I am Yrs. L.S."

As mentioned by Colonel Stanhope, Lord Byron was appointed to command the troops in the attack on Lepanto. Prince Mavrocordato for this purpose had carefully prepared a scheme of attack, and this very important document (which we include in this item) was found in Lord Byron's pouch, after his death, by his half-sister Augusta Leigh. It is entitled:—

(4) "Exposé de mon opinion sur l'attaque de Lepanto, et plusieurs observations."

### Byron (George Gordon, Lord)—continued.

6½ pages, folio, signed and dated at end "A. Mavrocordato, Missolonghi, 26 Janvier 1823 (evidently an error for 1824). In addition to the plan of attack by a secret path, Prince Mavrocordato

makes observations on the character of the Officers who would be under the command of the Commander-in-Chief.

This important Historical Document is endorsed on the back "Found in

Lord Byron's Pouch. A.L.

From this is it very evident that this document was one of the last things that Lord Byron studied, as he was appointed Commander-in-Chief in January, 1824, and died 19th April, 1824.

Lord Byron's interest in the struggle for Greek Independence was aroused by Trelawny, who in the Spring of 1823 suggested Byron as a member of the Greek Committee which had been formed in London. Blaquière, the Secretary, was soon visiting Greece for information, and called upon Byron on his way. The committee had unanimously elected him as a member. Byron was flattered, and accepted. His old interest in Greece increased his satisfaction at a proposal him of the committee (19th Mar) they had which fell in with his mood. He at once told the committee (12th May) that his first wish was to go to the Levant. Though the scheme gave Byron an aim and excited his imagination, he still hesitated, and with reason. Weak health and military inexperience were bad qualifications for the leader of a revolt. Captain Roberts conveyed messages and counter messages from Byron to Trelawny for a time. At last (22nd June, 1823) Trelawny heard from Byron, who had engaged a "collier-built tub" of 120 tons, called the Hercules, for his expedition and summoned Trelawny's help. Byron had taken leave of the Blessingtons with farewell presents, forebodings, and a burst of tears. He took 10,000 crowns in specie, 40,000 in bills, and a large supply of medicine; Trelawny, young Gamba, Bruno, an "unfledged medical student," and several servants, including Fletcher. He had prepared three helmets with his crest, "Crede Byron," for Trelawny, Gamba and himself; and afterwards begged from Trelawny a negro servant and a smart military jacket. They sailed from Genoa on Tuesday, 15th July; a gale forced them to return and repair damages. They sailed for Cephalonia, where Sir C. J. Napier was in command and known to sympathise with the Greeks. They found that Napier was away, and that Blaquière had left for England. Byron began to fancy that he had been used as a decoy, and declared that he must see his way plainly before moving. military inexperience were bad qualifications for the leader of a revolt. Captain that he must see his way plainly before moving.

Byron's nerve was evidently shaken. He showed a strange irritability and nervousness. He wished to hear of some agreement among the divided and factious Greek chiefs before trusting himself among them. The Cephalonian Greeks, according to Trelawny, favoured the election of a foreign king, and Trelawny thought that Byron was really impressed by the possibility of receiving a crown. Byron hinted to Parry afterwards of great offers which had been made

to him.

Prince Mavrocordato, the most prominent of the Western Greeks, had at last occupied Missolonghi. Byron sent Colonel Stanhope (a representative of the Greek committee) with a letter to Mavrocordato and another to the general government, insisting upon the necessity of union; and on 28th December sailed himself, on the entreaty of Mavrocordato and Stanhope. Thence, with some gunboats sent to their aid, they reached Missolonghi, in spite of a gale, in which Byron showed great coolness. Byron was heartily welcomed. Mavrocordato was elected governor-general. Attempts were made to organise troops. Byron took into his pay a bady of five hundred disordary Sulistes. The Greek Committee into his pay a body of five hundred disorderly Suliotes. The Greek Committee had sent two mountain guns, with ammunition, and some English artisans under William Parry, a "rough burly fellow." Parry after a long voyage reached Missolonghi on 5th February, 1824.

The prospects of the loan were now favourable. Byron tried, with Parry's help, to fortify Missolonghi and get together some kind of force. Missolonghi, with its swamps, meanwhile, was a mere fever-trap. The mud, says Gamba, was so deep in the gateway that an unopposed enemy would have found entrance difficult. Byron's departure was hindered by excessive rains. He starved himself as usual. Moore says that he measured himself round the wrist and waist almost daily, and he took a strong dose if he thought his size increasing. He rode out when he could with his bodyguard of fifty or sixty Suliotes, but complained of frequent weakness and dizziness. Parry in vain commended his panacea, brandy.

His predisposition to malaria, aided by his strange system of diet, had pro-

### Byron (George Gordon, Lord)—continued.

duced the result anticipated by Stanhope. The doctors had no idea beyond bleeding, to which he submitted with great reluctance, and Parry could only suggest brandy. The attendants were ignorant of each other's language, and seem to have lost their heads. On the 18th he was delirious. At intervals he was conscious and tried to say something to Fletcher about his sister, his wife, and daughter. A strong "antispasmodic potion" was given to him in the evening. About six he said, "Now I shall go to sleep," and fell into a slumber which, after twenty-four hours, ended in death on the evening of 19th April, 1824.

#### 288a CAMPBELL (JOHN, 1708-1775). Miscellaneous Writer.

#### AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

3 pp., 4to. Holborn, 4th March, 1756.

£2 10s

A long and interesting letter dealing with the influence of Richelieu and his maxims after his death.

"His capital maxim, was to establish despotic Government at home, & to support liberty abroad. I concern myself at present with the latter only. Richelieu in his lifetime countenanced the revolt of the Catalans, supported the Portuguese in placing their crown upon the head of the Duke of Braganza; he excited the troubles in Scotland, his intrigues produced our Civil War. He brought the Swedes into Germany, and at a vast expence of blood & treasure, supported the Protestant religion & the liberties of the Empire. . . .

"The Dutch War, gloriously managed by the Parliament, & basely concluded by Cromwell, shewed maritime power in a strong & formidable light & very unluckily shewed also, how it might be wrecked & destroyed. This was the first & great object of Lewis the fourteenth, who pursued Richlieu's maxim in Richlieu's way, & having first overturned the poor remains of legal authority at home set up for the Protector of Liberty in other countries." Etc.

# 289 CARLYLE (THOMAS, 1795-1881). Essayist and Historian.

#### AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

2½ pp., 8vo. Chelsea, 25th April, 1845.

£12 10s

"I am happy to apprise you the Schiller Portrait has arrived at last: an excellent Copy in Pencil from the best (and as appears the only good) Portrait there is of him in Germany. I have an autograph also, and a Medal and a Medallion:—in that the tendencies of a proper likeness are here; and I will beg of you to take pains and get a right artist to manage the engraving (for the credit of the country); and with all the despatch that is possible too." Etc.

# 290 CARLYLE (THOMAS).

#### AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1½ pp., 8vo. Chelsea, 9th December, 1852.

£5 5s

Referring to a Cromwell letter published in his "Cromwell's Letters and Speeches."

"Your Cromwell letter was published, sixty years ago, in the Annual Register for 1793 . . . it now also stands in the second and in the third Edition of Cromwell's Letters and Speeches, in its due place, tho' I had not fallen in with it when the First Edition was published.

"If you look strictly, I suppose you will find that yours is not the original, but a copperplate facsimile; of which sort I have seen copies of other Cromwell letters: the original of this, at any rate . . . is now in the British Museum." Etc.

291 [CATHERINE OF BRAGANZA, 1638-1705). Queen of Charles II.]
THE OFFICIAL LETTER SENT IN THE NAME OF THE
OUEEN TO CARDINAL CHIGI.

I page, 4to. London, 25th October, 1662. With seals and silks. Bound in morocco. £7 10s

Suspected of exercising influence on State affairs in the interests of the Catholic religion, Catherine, in October, 1662, sent her confidential servant, Richard Bellings, himself a very strong Catholic, to Rome, with letters to the Pope and the leading cardinals.

This letter, addressed to Cardinal Chigi, and written in the Queen's name, mentions Richard Bellings.

"Ayant envoyé le sieur Bollings (Bellings) pour rendre comte à sa Sainteté de mon arrivée en ce pais, et l'assurer de mes obeissances, je l'ay chargé de vous saluer de ma part et vous tesmoigner non seulement l'estime que j'ay pour vous, mais aussi la confiance que j'ay que vous m'obligeres de vos bons offices aux choses qu'il a ordre de representer a sa Sate et particulierment en ce qui touche Monsr D'Aubigny mon grand Ausmonier." Etc.

# 292 CHANNEL ISLANDS (JERSEY).

A SERIES OF LETTERS AND DOCUMENTS DEALING WITH THE ATTACK ON JERSEY BY THE FRENCH IN 1781.

33½ pages, folio and 4to. Jersey and London, January-March, 1781. £10 10s

During the war between England and France in 1778-1783, the Channel Islands were frequently in danger of attacks by the French. The most important of these raids was that of 6th January, 1781, when the French took possession of St. Helier, making the lieutenant-governor, Major Corbet, a prisoner. He signed a capitulation and Elizabeth Castle was summoned to surrender. The command had devolved upon Major Peirson, who advanced with the regular army, and gained a complete victory at the loss of his own life.

These letters and documents, which are as follows, entirely concern the attack, of which they give full and vivid descriptions.

# COUTEUR (F. LE).

TWO AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED TO MRS. CARTERET. 6 pages, folio. Jersey, 7th March and 11th January, 1781.

# POINGDESTRE (CHARLES).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MRS. CARTERET. 7 pages, folio. Jersey, 15th January, 1781.

# CARTERET (PHILIP DE).

CONTEMPORARY COPY OF A LETTER TO THE FATHER OF MAJOR PEIRSON; AND HIS REPLY.

13 pages, folio. Jersey, 22nd February, 1781.

(Continued over) \*

Channel Islands (Jersey)—continued.

CONTEMPORARY ACCOUNT (IN FRENCH) OF THE ATTACK ON JERSEY.

111 pages, folio.

CONTEMPORARY COPY OF AN EXTRACT FROM A LETTER OF AN ORDINANCE OFFICER TO HIS BROTHER. 4 pages, folio. Jersey, 7th January, 1781.

MULCASTER (MAJOR).

MANUSCRIPT.

I page, 4to. St. James's, 9th January, 1781.

293 CHARLES I (1600-1649). King of Great Britain.

LETTER SIGNED TO HENRY VISCOUNT FALKLAND, LORD DEPUTY OF IRELAND.

I page, folio. Dated from the Court at Bromsett, 13th August, 1629. £9 9s

Instructing Viscount Falkland to allow Captain Douardt to raise 300 men in Ireland for the service of the King of Sweden.

294 CHARLES II (1630-1685). King of Great Britain.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED ADDRESSED TO HARRY SIDNEY.

I page, small 4to. Whitehall, 10th January, 1684. Autograph address and wax seal on reverse. £22 10s

Written only a year before the death of the King. It is addressed to Henry Sidney, afterwards Earl of Romney.

"Harry Sidney, I would have you assure Temple that I am very kinde to him and if he can compasse the match he designes at Paris, I will use my best offices with the King of France to make it in all points as easy to him as I can."

295 CHARLES II. King of Great Britain.

LETTER SIGNED AND SUBSCRIBED.

I page, 4to. Whitehall, 20th June, 1679.

£8 8s

A very interesting letter, written in French, and disclosing Charles' difficult position when popular feeling was running very high against Roman Catholics in England, many of whom were being persecuted.

(Trans.):—"My Counsellor of State, having represented to me, that Sieur Stanford, your resident here, being born my subject and of the religion of the Roman Church, it would be advisable in order to avoid any inconvenience which may arrive in the present state of affairs here, that you should be pleased to recall him. . . However, I am obliged to say this for your resident that I only desire this for State reasons and not for any particular displeasure against him in person. . ." Etc.

The letter is just a little stained.

#### TO PRINCE RUPERT.

296 CLARENDON (EDWARD HYDE, 1st EARL OF, 1609-1674). Famous Royalist Statesman and Lord Chancellor. Author of "History of the Rebellion and Civil War in England."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO PRINCE RUPERT.

2 pp., folio. The Hague, 1648.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. II).

£42

A long letter written to Prince Rupert minutely describing the terrible state in which the Royalists were as regards money and provisions. Clarendon had fled to the Hague and joined Prince Charles as his Chief Adviser. In this letter he writes in a very dismal strain about the absolute lack of money to purchase supplies to carry on the Civil War in England, which, as a matter of fact, had at this time been decided in favour of Parliament by the capture of King Charles, who was executed the next year.

"Your Highnesse very well knowes the straight wee are in heare for wante of mony, which can only be raysed upon the sugars, to which purpose some offers have bene made, and the partyes are sent to attend your Highnesse, wee are likewise doinge our best to recover the 25 chests, but what successe wee shall have in it I yet know not, only it is evident, that wee have no other hope of mony, ether for victualls, match and bullet, or the Zealand Souldyers, then the Sugars. . I am this day by the princes commaunde to attende the duke of Yorke, who I presume will speedily give order for such provisions as are necessary for himselfe, for I finde no scruple made of his Highnesse goinge, which is expressly derected by the Queene. . Sr. Will Boswell is now gone to procure any such orders as are to be gott concerninge the Maryners, and he doubtes not of the States resolucon to keepe my Ld. of Warwicke in 2 tydes after the departure of our fleete." Etc.

297 **CLEMENT VII** (1478-1534). Pope. Opposed Divorce of Henry VIII and Catherine of Aragon.

PAPAL BULL, WRITTEN IN LATIN ON VELLUM, SIGNED BY THE SCRIVENER AND TWO OTHERS. [With pendant lead seal of Pope Clement VII].

Large oblong folio, 1 page (small portion of text cut out). Rome, 4th June, 1532. £5 58

The decree is addressed to the nobleman Arnaldo de Gavareto, and establishes his right of inheritance to certain estates, and the property existing thereon, as numerated in detail in the document.

298 **CLIVE** (ROBERT, LORD, 1725-1774). The Conqueror of India.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (TO LORD TOWNSHEND).

2 pp., 4to. Berkeley Square, 30th March, 1771. £3 3s

Asking that the governorship of the Fort of Waterford be given to Capt. Power, who was Clive's aide-de-camp in India.

299 **COLERIDGE** (HARTLEY, 1796-1849). Poet and Writer. Son of S. T. Coleridge.

AUTOGRAPH SONNET SIGNED, ENTITLED "PRAYER."

1 page, oblong 8vo.

£1 10s

It commences:-

"Be not afraid to pray, to pray is right.

Pray if thou cans't with hope; but ever pray
Though hope be weak or sick with long delay;
Pray in the darkness, if there be no light." Etc.

300 **COLERIDGE** (SAMUEL TAYLOR, 1772-1834). Poet and Philosopher. AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO ROBERT SOUTHEY.

I page, 4to. £10 10s

Telling Southey that Ludwig Tieck is anxious to meet him; and comparing him with Goethe.

"... Mr. Tieck is the Gentleman who was so kind to me at Rome... he is a good man, emphatically, without taint of moral or religious infidelity... as a poet, critic, and moralist, he stands (in reputation) next to Goethe, & I believe, that his reputation will be fame. Lastly, it will interest you with Bristol, Keswick and Grasmere Associations, that Mr. Tieck has had to run, and has run, as nearly the same career in Germany, as yourself and Wordsworth." Etc.

301 COLERIDGE (SAMUEL TAYLOR).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO T. ALLSOP.

2 pp., 8vo. Highgate, 10th July, 1821.

£10 10s

Written from Highgate, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gillman, where Coleridge was living whilst making his final effort to abandon his habit of opium-eating.

"... On my arrival I found Mr. and Mrs. Gillman expecting you, & beginning to fear & be vexed, and Mrs. G. apprehensive that you had misinterpreted her letter to you, and fretting herself that she had omitted to say expressly (after the words C. dines on Saturday at Sir G. B.'s), but he returns at latest in the first stage on Sunday morning, & we shall expect you if you cannot come to night, yet tomorrow evening at all events, that you will spend Sunday with us.

with us.

"But I have told her that this omission cannot have been the cause, for that the import of the words omitted was a Comment, which your knowledge of our united desire to see you at all times could not but have supplied." Etc.

302 **COLLINGWOOD** (CUTHBERT, BARON, 1750-1810). Vice-Admiral. Took command after the death of Nelson at Trafalgar.

LETTER SIGNED TO SIR RICHARD BICKERTON.

I page, folio. Dated from the Dreadnought at Cadiz, 22nd June, 1805.

An important letter sending orders for a number of ships to join him at Cadiz, where he was lying in wait for the French fleet. He was joined by Nelson on the 28th September, and commanding in the second post, he led the lee line in the memorable battle of Trafalgar, 21st October, 1805.

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(Facsimile shows second and third pages). FANNY BURNEY, MADAME D'ARBLAY. Autograph Letter Signed.

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May it plufe your Highnesse.

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EDWARD HYDE, EARL OF CLARENDON.
Autograph Letter Signed to Prince Rupert.
(Facsimile shows first page).
See Item No. 296.

303 CONRAD (JOSEPH, 1857-1924). Novelist. AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

2 pp., oblong 8vo. Orlestone, near Ashford, 29th July, 1910.

£12 10s

An extremely interesting letter concerning his correspondent's suggestion that Conrad collaborate with him to write some short plays.

". Would you give me a more precise idea of what our collaboration should be? I would then consider whether it is within my capacity to do my part of such a sketch. They are 30 minutes' plays—are they not? My ignorance of stage matter is denser than a London fog—tho' I did once write a one-act play which was performed by the Stage Society. How to get a dramatic (either pathetic or comical) situation into 30 minutes of which a full half must be given to the songs! That seems to be the question. It must, I apprehend, be the crucial moment of some very simple position. Or it may be made a purely picturesque animated picture of 'getting under way' (or 'weigh') and I have some notion of how that could be arranged. But in that case I would have my doubts as to the simplicity of the mise-en-scene of which you speak. The representation of a ship's forecastle head trois quarts to the audience would have to sentation of a ship's forecastle head trois quarts to the audience would have to be contrived somehow—as near to truth as possible." Etc.

HIS PICTURE OF SALISBURY CATHEDRAL.

304 CONSTABLE (JOHN, 1776-1837). Famous Landscape Painter. AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO ARCHDEACON FISHER.

4 pp., 4to. Charlotte Street, 26th November, 1825.

An extremely interesting letter, mentioning a new picture of Salisbury, which he says is very beautiful.

"My new picture of Salisbury is very beautiful and I have repainted entirely that of Mrs. Mirehouse. I am now delighted with it, but when I thus speak of my pictures remember it is to you. . . I think it was unkind if not unjust in Fenney's not allowing me the picture. I am now cut off from any prospects in that quarter, and my name will not appear among them, this is no trifling metter with

prospects in that quarter, and my name will not appear among them, this is no trifling matter with me.

"It is easy for a bye stander like you to watch one struggling in the water and then say your difficulties are only imaginary. I have a great part to perform, and you a much greater, but with only this difference. You are removed from the ills of life, you are almost placed beyond circumstances. My master the publick is hard, cruel and unrelenting, making no allowance for a back sliding, the publick voice is always more against than for us, in both our lots, but then there is this difference, your own profession closes in and protects you, mine rejoices in the opportunity of ridding itself of a member who is sure to be in somebodys way or other.

I have just had a visit from Mr. Banister to request a landscape. He has long desired one of me, in which he says he can feel the wind blowing in his face, and he says my landscape has in it something beyond freshness, its life, exhilaration, &c., &c." Etc.

305 CORBETT (MILES, d. 1662). Celebrated Regicide. Registrar of the Court of Chancery.

DOCUMENT SIGNED.

1-page, folio. 24th February, 1645.

£2 2s

Signature to an Order of the Committee of the House of Commons for Examinations respecting Col. John Holcroft and Cornet Strangeways.

Miles Corbett signed Charles I's death warrant. He went abroad at the Restoration, but was arrested, brought back and executed.

306 COSWAY (MARIA, fl. 1820). Miniature Painter.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "M. C." (2 or 3 lines cut away) TO MRS. DALTON.

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". . . I painted a picture which I exhibited here at their Saloon, but did it more for England than here as having done some years ago something like it, it has been described & mentioned in a poem of the Loves of the Plants which has made very often people ask me for to see the picture that went to Pollard & this is much improved. I wanted to send it to Mr. Cosway but he has no room to hang it up & it is too large & indeed it would be a pity to have it shout the ground. I connect say much on my own picture but that I am very it about the ground. I cannot say much on my own picture but that I am very fond of the subject. 'Tis Eros the love Creator dividing Chaos. . . This is something like it.' [Sketch.]

307 COSWAY (RICHARD, 1740-1821). Miniature Painter.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER (3RD PERSON) TO MR. BROWN.

I page, 8vo. Pall Mall, N.D.

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"Mr. Cosway sends his compliments to Mr. Brown, and begs the favor of him (if he writes to Lord Strathmore) to inform his Lordship that He is sorry, it is not in his power to comply with his request, Mr. C. having so many engagements to fulfil as to render it impossible for him to undertake any thing whatever for some time."

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. I shall by this days coach send a small drawing in remembrance of one of the scenes of Bolton Abbey and hope Mrs. Spiers will do me the favour to give it a place in her album." Etc.

. I have also a large picture intended for the exhibition if I can finish it in time, on the same subject as the small drawing of Bolton I sent to Mrs. Spiers." Etc.

Mrs. Spiers." Etc.

"I have orders for a number of drawings, several rather large and I shall be going to N. Wales, it being a country that suits my feeling as to subjects and scenery generally, that I am anxious to spend as much time there this Summer as I possibly can."

"I had made my arrangement to start for N. Wales tomorrow morning and busily employed in putting my things together. . . These excursions do me a deal of good and I always look forward to the time most anxiously."

"I had made a number of sketches, in fact I had an engagement with a gentleman in London to make him a series of 40 hand book sketches in colour. I have also made several of a larger size and 4 oil sketches, still unfinished, and during the winter I hope to complete them."

"I am engaged to go to Bolton with a particularly kind friend. I have for the last three years been with him to Haddon and he now wishes to see Bolton Abbey. We intend leaving London after the first week of the Royal Academy's opening. I wish you could make one of our party for a fortnight, after which time I must return to Birmingham to paint a picture for Manchester and Liver-

Cox (David)—continued.

pool Exhibition. I am very busy painting a large oil picture for the Royal

Academy besides several large water colour drawings for Pall Mall.'

Academy besides several large water colour drawings for Pall Mall."

"I took my leave of the Royal Academy yesterday, having spent part of Monday and Tuesday. It is a good exhibition, having a great number of good and pleasant subjects in family life but deficient in Landscapes indeed there are none to say good. Turner has mostly sea pieces and Venetian subjects." Etc.

"I expressed a wish to make a small drawing for Mrs. Spiers album, which I immediately put in hand, but having so many orders for other pictures and so little daylight I was induced to finish the little drawing by lamp light and have spoiled it. I have now sent another which I had by me (subject, Junction of the Wye and Severn, near Chepstowe) which I hope you will please present to Mrs. Spiers."

Mrs. Spiers."

"I hope soon however to be about and at my paintings as usual. I am sorry to say the above cause and the very short Dark Days, have thrown me very much backward with my paintings I have in hand, your one amongst them, but as soon as I can get to my painting it shall be one of the earliest to take up and

finish." Etc.

"At present I am overwhelmed with commissions, some of long standing and yours amongst the number. I am at best a very slow oil painter and that will be some excuse. I have now nearly come to your name on my list of pictures and I do hope ere long yours will have its turn on the Easel."

"I AM SOE UNWILLINGE TO BEE A SEEKER AFTER THE WORLD HAVINGE HAD SO MUCH FAVOR FROM THE LORD."

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"But indeed I am soe unwillinge to bee a seeker after the world havinge had so much favor from the Lord in givinge mee soe much without seekinge, and soe unwillinge that men should thinke mee soe wch. they will though you only appears in itt (for they will by one meenes or other knowe itt) that indeed I appeare in itt (for they will by one meanes or other knowe itt) that indeed I dare not meddle nor proceede therein." Etc.

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". . . It was so late last night before the Report was made to me of the result of the search for Papers on board the American ship the Maddison, that I had only time to write hastily a line to Sir Richard Bickerton on the subject, which I doubt not you have seen. I shall underneath state to you the description of the Papers which were found, and they will this evening be forwarded to Mr. Bishop, the King's Proctor." Etc.

"Mr. Morris, the person there mentioned, came to me immediately on the arrival of the Maddison, and shewed me his Passport for leaving France to proceed to America in that ship as an American subject, declaring to me at the same time that he had no intention to proceed to that Country, but took the Passport for the purpose of getting out of France, meaning to land in England with the other passengers, intimating to me that he was confidently employed by His Majesty's Government, and, as is stated in the paper, expressed his desire to proceed immediately to London to communicate with Government, and accordingly proceeded to Town." Etc.

"To my own part I feel and I dare say the other Members of the Court Martial on Lord Gambier will equally feel, much indebted to you, for the manner in which you defended us against the gross insinuations of Lord Cochrane, insinuations, which in every liberal mind, will more reflect on the liberality and discretion of his Lordship, than affect the reputation of the Members of the Court."

Court."

"I perfectly agree with you as to the similarity of writing in the Boatswain's "I perfectly agree with you as to the Mutinous Letter. Captain Hill will

"I perfectly agree with you as to the similarity of writing in the Boatswain's Expense Book of the Naiad, and that in the Mutinous Letter. Captain Hill will spare no pains to make every practicable discovery for ascertaining whether it be possible to prove that David Hunter wrote the Letter." Etc.

"Ever since the permission was given for the Implacable to re-stow her Hold, every exertion had been made to do it, and shall be continued, but it will not be completed before Thursday night, if quite so soon. Agreeably to the first Orders about this Ship, to make her ready for sea with the utmost dispatch, her provisions and Water had been completed, when the directions arrived to allow of her hold being re-stowed, which very considerably encreased the work to be done for that purpose."

"The Milan, which ship left Lisbon on the 12th instant, brings no intelligence different from what we received by the Tenet. They feel very bold at Lisbon. Admiral Berkeley has been constituted Commander-in-Chief of the Portuguese Fleet." Etc.

guese Fleet." Etc.
". . . Sir Home Popham, meeting light and variable Winds, sent his

#### **Curtis** (Sir Roger)—continued.

Dispatches on shore at Bridport. I never desire to possess secrets, but I learnt so much that he had conference with the Juncta at Corunna, and has account from them of their views and capabilities for co-operation against the Enemy. He has in consequence, submitted, I apprehend, certain prepositions for the consideration of Ministers." Etc.

"The inimitable Cervantes never composed for his Hero Don Quixote a finer adventure than has been produced by the Captain of the Cyane. Chased all the morning by Ships fast at their Anchor. No wonder that the purser stated to me that the Cyane had the heels of them!" Etc.

"The American Sloops of War from Havre has just arrived at Spithead. An officer from her went on board my Flag Ship pro forma, and reported that news arrived at Paris on the 28th ultimo, of Massina having been beaten by Lord

"This we disbelieve. The Tennant is just arrived from the Tagus, and, we think, brings no such intelligence, tho' she must have left Lisbon as late as the 24th, but we cannot be quite sure, as our Telegraph message has been confused

by the fog."
"Your kind attention in sending me the good news from Portugal is very
"Your kind attention in sending me the good news from Portugal is very gratifying to me. The affair has indeed been very brilliant. It will elevate the spirits of the Portuguese (the British need no elevation) and must certainly depress the French; and Lord Wellington having obtained such important advantages from the cautious and defensive conduct he has hitherto pursued, I hope he will not be induced to adopt other measures by any partial discomfit of the Enemy." Etc.

"I have received your private and confidential note of the 6th instant, together with the Copies of the Proposals on the part of the British Government, to the Government of France, for an exchange of prisoners. I shall take every opportunity that may occur for putting them on shore on the Coast of France. There will soon be a considerable number of Invalid Prisoners of War sent home, but owing to the nature of the observations which precede the Proposals, and particularly those after the conclusion of them, I should apprehend none of the Prisoners would venture to carry the Pamphlet to France. Had these observa-tions been omitted, and between ourselves, I wish they had, I have no doubt that the returning Prisoners would without dread have taken the simple Project with them, because it is nothing more than a bare publick Document. I would recommend the printing the Project without any comment whatever, and distributing copies of it amongst all the Prisoners in this Country; for if those who are to go home should not venture to take the copies with them, they would be able to communicate in France the Terms offered by the Government of this Country."

". . . I have employed in a confidential manner an intelligent person to endeavour to discern, from any Men who have had communication with the American Frigate Constitution, whether any British subjects are on board that ship, but as yet I have received no information on the subject. The Constitution has this day removed from Spithead to near the Motherbank, but before, she lay near the Havannah, and I have questioned the first Lieutenant of that Ship, whether he had observed any Boats belonging to His Majesty's Ships, have communication with the American Frigate, and he has informed me that he knows of no other boats than those of the Havannah, which boats have been twice along-

side her, but he did not learn from any persons who were in the boats, that any subjects of His Majesty's were on board the American Ship." Etc.

". . I really thought we were proceeding much too hastily respecting the American Frigate. I thought we were about to unsheath a two-edged sword, the wounds of which would be more injurious to the party who drew it than to those against whom it was drawn." Etc.

". . . I have ever considered our claim to the Sovereignty of what we call the British Seas, as a vain, empty, and pernicious pretension, never generally admitted, and as it appears, has been sometimes very discreditably abandoned. It placed officers in situations of perplexity and peril: If according to his Instructions he enforced the Claim, he might, if the politics of the time were deemed to require it, be sacrificed to temporary considerations; and on the same grounds, he might be punished for not conforming to the general Orders. The article in our old Instructions relative to enforcing the taking in the Flag and lowering the Topsails, was, I know, considered as a mischievous and ridiculous Order by many now deceased Officers of sound understanding and great distinction, but as

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#### Curtis (Sir Roger)—continued.

it flattered the pride and prejudices of Englishmen, the Government had never resolution enough to annul it. Many years ago I had a conversation on this subject with an Officer of very high rank, with whom I was for a great length of time intimately connected, and whose professional abilities and correctness of Judgment, I shall ever hold in the greatest respect. I was reasoning on the folly and indeed cruelty of retaining in the Book of Instructions, an article which placed Officers in command, in so unpleasant and dangerous a situation, and warmed with the subject, I said, if it fell to my lot, I would obey my orders, let what may be the consequences. The reply was short—then you will do a very foolish thing, and a man possessing so little discretion ought not to be trusted with Command. This shews, however, that the great Man to whom I allude, considered the Article in question, by no means advisable, but fraught with mischief.

"I have observed that the more early writers on our Maritime affairs did

frequently stile what we call the British Channel, the Sleeve.

"Nothing has so much contributed to make us hated by other Nations as our Naval insolence, which on many occasions, has been carried to a pitch,

absolutely insufferable. .

"Were our pretensions to supremacy in the British Seas universally admitted, what advantages could result from it? The real Sovereignty will ever be in that Nation, who can send thither the strongest Naval Force. Shall we then contend for an unprofitable Phantom?" Etc.

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(Trans.):—"When sending you, by my circular of the 9th. of this month, instructions relative to the recall of soldiers absent from their Corps, I asked you to acknowledge to me the receipt thereof. Your reply has not yet been received by me. Be so good as to send me one immediately, so that I can give His Majesty the assurance that you have commenced operations."

After Napoleon's return from Elba, Davout was recalled as Minister for War, and, together with the Emperor, in three months reorganised the French Army to the state in which it was before the events of 1814. This refers to one of the orders for mobilising the troops.

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"I shall send in return for the book you have been so good as to send me some copies of papers in the Royal Society Transactions of which a few have been struck off as presents for my friends."

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#### Dickens (Charles)—continued.

open the session of the Institute; and there, after telling his audience that his invention, such as it was, never would have served him as it had done, but for the habit of commonplace, patient, drudging attention, he declared his political creed to be infinitesimal faith in the people governing and illimitable faith in the People governed. In such engagements as these, with nothing of the kind of strain he had most to dread, there was hardly more movement or change than was necessary to his enjoyment of rest."

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320 DODGSON (CHARLES LUTWIDGE, "LEWIS CARROLL").

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO "MY DEAR COLLINS.

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Buother 1 your lounge letter for anko you, and suduly in that businsfly towards it. But mosso fam sor vnewdlings bu a serker after the would arings had soe much favor f Lord in guings sukings, and so men should thinks they will clouds ett for they well other kno 1 daver mourd Thus I have touts you my plain

OLIVER CROMWELL.

Autograph Letter Signed.

See Item No. 309.

# My Dear Friend

By Gead is so extreent lad still that the I have intended Writing to you every day almost some the receift of your last kind Letter, I have not been able to sit down til now. I have so many raturns of my Newons complaint in the lack hast of my Head That I almost Dispair of getting the better of it. I am really a weather lock; more so now than what you alway, took me for. all my hopes are built upon what the Upring may do in throwing out the himour that yet Veems playing about me. By spirits are at times so low, but damn it, I won't entertain you with any more of my misforheres - we are sincerely glad that Mrs Unwin is well, and wish you day of your Son. I have taker a Honfe about three quarters of a Mile in the Lands down Good this sweetly Situated and I have every convenience I could wish for; I pay 30 homer prefear; and so let off all my House in the Smooke except my Painting Room and best parlow to Show Portures in .. am I right to ease myself of as much

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"A thousand thanks for your kind interest in our project & for the trouble you have taken in our behalf. I fear the land buying & building is likely to come to nothing & our construction to remain entirely of the aërial sort. It is so much easier to imagine other people doing wise things than to do them one-self! Practically I excel in nothing but paying twice as much as I ought for everything. On the whole, it would be better if my life could be done for me &

everything. On the whole, it would be better if my life could be done for me & I could look on.

"However it appears that the question of the land at Shere may remain open until we can discuss it with you at Weybridge. Certainly the possession of an acute Nephew may throw a new light on one's affairs, & there is no telling what we may not venture on with your eyes to see through.

"But, oh dear, I dont like anything that is troublesome under the name of pleasure—from eating shrimps upwards."

". . All the great religions of the world historically considered, are rightly the objects of reverence & sympathy—they are the record of spiritual struggles which are the types of our own. This is to me pre-eminently true of Hebrewism & Xtianity, on which my own youth was nourished. And in this sense I have no antagonism towards any religious belief but a strong outflow of sympathy. Every community met to worship the highest Good (which is understood to be expressed by God) carries me along in its main current, & if there were not reasons against my following such an inclination, I should go to church or chapel constantly for the sake of the delightful emotions of fellowship which come over me in religious assemblies—the very nature of such assemblies being the recognition of a binding belief or spiritual law which is to lift us into willing obedience & save us from the slavery of unregulated passion or impulse.

"And with regard to other people, it seems to me that those who have no definite conviction which constitutes a protesting faith, may often more beneficially cherish the good within them & be better members of society by a conformity would be accompanied by a consciousness of hypocrisy. That is a question for the individual conscience to settle. But there is enough to be said on the different points of view from which conformity may be regarded, to hinder a ready judgment against those who continue to conform after ceasing to believe in the ordinary sense." Etc.

". . . Our house here is rather a fine old red bri

a lovely bit of landscape, but I think we have suffered the more from the rainy close weather because we are in a valley & can see the mists lie in a thick white

#### "Eliot (George," Marian E. Lewes)—continued.

stratum in our meadow. Mr. Lewes has been on the whole flourishing & enjoying, writing away with vigour & making a discovery or theory at the rate of

1 per diem.

"Of your unfortunate Aunt you must expect no good. She has been in a piteous state of debility in body & depression in mind. Her book seems to her so unlikely ever to be finished in a way that will make it worth going to the world, that it is a kind of glass in which she beholds her infirmities.

"That expedition on the Thames would be a great delight if it were possible."

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to us. But our arrangements forbid it—our loving thanks to Mr. Druce as well as to you for reviving the thought. We are to remain here till the 23rd of September, then to fly through town, or at least only perch there for a night or so, & then go down to the coast while the servants clean our house. Mr. Lewes looks forward to a little renewal of his old zoologizing pleasures at the coast & at present we expect that Bournemouth will be our destination." Etc.

"... Apropos of authorship I was a little uneasy on Sunday because I had seemed in the unmanageable current of talk to echo a too slight way of speaking about a great poet. I did not mean to say Amen when 'The Idyls of the King' seemed to be judged rather 'de haut en bas.' I only meant that I should value for my own mind 'In Memoriam' as the chief of the larger works & that while I feel exquisite beauty in passages scattered through the Idyls, I must judge some smaller wholes among the lyrics as the works most decisive of

Tennyson's high place among the immortals.

"Not that my deliverance in this matter is of any moment, but that I rannot bear to fall in with the sickening fashion of people who talk much about writers whom they read little, & pronounce on a great man's powers with only half his work in their mind, while if they remembered the other half they would find their judgments as to his limits flatly contradicted. Then again, I think Tennyson's Dramas such as the world should be glad of, & would be if there had been no pre-judgment that he could not write a drama." Etc.

"" Mr. Lewes continues to show improvement in health so that the

". . . Mr. Lewes continues to show improvement in health, so that the balance of good is not much altered by my deficit."

"Some time, if I live, I shall be able to see you—perhaps sooner than anyone else. But not yet. Life seems to get harder instead of easier."

"When I said 'some time' I meant still a distant time. I want to live a little while that I may do certain things for his sake. So I take care of my diet & try to keep up my strength & I work as much as I can to save my mind from imbecility. But that is all at present. I can go through anything that is mere business. But what used to be joy is joy no longer, & what is pain is easier because he has not to bear it." Etc.

"... In a week or two I think I shall want to see you. Sometimes even now I have a longing, but it is immediately counteracted by a fear. The perpetual mourner—the grief that can never be healed—is innocently enough felt to be wearisome by the rest of the world. And my sense of resolution increases. Each day seems a new beginning—a new acquaintance with grief." Etc.

# 330 " **ELIOT** (GEORGE," MARIAN E. LEWES).

THREE AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED "MARIAN" TO MADAME BODICHON.

11 pages, 8vo. Dated from Witley, 1st August, 14th September, and 7th November, 1880. £15 15s

Three very fine letters written during the last months of George Eliot's life.

The first letter was written soon after her marriage to Mr. Cross (on 6th May) and relates to their travels on the Continent. The other letters refer to mutual friends; visits to Ely, Peterborough and Lincoln Cathedrals; the preliminary arrangements towards settling in their new home (4 Cheyne Walk); her health, and on other matters.

". . . Mr. Cross had a sharp but brief attack at Venice, due to the unsanitary influences of that wondrous city in the later weeks of June. We (Continued over)

#### "Eliot (George," Marian E. Lewes)—continued.

stayed a little too long there with a continuous sirocco blowing & bad smells under the windows of the Hotel de l'Europe, & these conditions found him a under the windows of the Hotel de l'Europe, & these conditions found him a little below par from long protracted anxiety and excitement before our marriage. But ever since we left Venice (on the 23rd of June) he has been getting strong again, & we have enjoyed a leisurely journey through Germany in constant warmth & sunshine, save for an occasional thunderstorm. The climate in this beloved country of ours is a sad exchange, & makes me think of a second bad harvest time with all its consequences. Still it is a delight to be at home & enjoy perfect stillness after the noisiness of foreign bells & foreign voices indoors & out. . . "I have been amazingly well through all the exertions of our travel, & in the latter half of the time have done a great deal of walking." Etc.

"Three weeks ago I had a rather troublesome attack but I am getting well

"Three weeks ago I had a rather troublesome attack but I am getting well now, though still reduced & comparatively weak. We shall probably linger here till near the end of the month, for the autumnal landscape is very beautiful & I am not yet quite fit for the exertion of moving. Mr. Cross has nursed me as if he had been a wife nursing a husband, never leaving me except to get his walk. He has turned woodman lately & has been cutting away some of the too abundant fir trees which made an ugly mass & line against the sky. I think

". . We have been away in Lincolnshire & Cambridgeshire, paying visits to Mrs. Otter & the Halls. The weather, which is now broken, was glorious through all our wandering which was made very interesting by pausing to see Ely, Peterborough & Lincoln Cathedrals. The Otters have a very pretty happy household. He is a country gentleman now, called 'Squire' by his tenants, acting as a magistrate & glancing towards parliament. But he keeps up his reading & is delightful to talk to. Emily looks very pretty in her matronly position, with three little children. The Halls too are very pleasant to behold in their home life. . . Mr. Cross gets stronger & brighter every day. We often mention you, because you are associated with so many of my memories. He goes to town only once or twice a week, & unhappily is gone today through He goes to town only once or twice a week, & unhappily is gone today through the rain & cold wind.

"His unmarried brother & sisters are going to leave Weybridge & live in London. We shall go to our winter nest there at the end of October. Our only bugbear—it is a very little one—is the having to make preliminary arrangements towards settling ourselves in the new house (4 Cheyne Walk). It is a quaint house, & a Mr. Armitage of Manchester, of whom you may have heard has been superintending the decoration & furnishing, but not to the exclusion of old things which we must carry & stow, especially wallings of books. I am become so lazy that I shrink from all such practical work." Etc.

## 331 "ELIOT (GEORGE," MARIAN E. LEWES).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "MARIAN" TO MRS. BRAY.

4 pp., 8vo. Godalming, 28th November, 1880. With addressed £5 5s envelope.

One of the last letters written by George Eliot; she died on the 22nd December.

The letter refers to her health, mentions her husband, Mr. Cross, whom her brothers and sisters adore "as a sort of father and brother combined," speaks of his affection for her, etc.

I think you are quite right to look over your old letters & papers & decide for yourself what should be burnt. Burning is the most reverential destination one can give to relics which will not interest any one after we are gone. I hate the thought that what we have looked at with eyes full of loving memory should be tossed about & made lumber of, or (if it be writing) read with hard curiosity. I am continually considering whether I have saved as much as possible from this desecrating fate." Etc. 332 **ELLIOTT** (EBENEZER, 1781-1849). The corn-law rhymer.

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THE PRINTED ACCOUNT of the Trial. "The Arraignment, Tryal, and Conviction of Robert Feilding, Esq., for Felony," etc. pp., folio. London, Printed for John Morphew, 1708.

THE ORIGINAL WARRANT, SIGNED BY QUEEN ANNE, and countersigned by Robert Harley, Secretary of State, addressed to Chief Justice Holt and Sir Salathiel Lovel, ordering the postponement of the sentence on Feilding. I page, folio. Kensington, 4th December, 1706. £25

The Reprieve signed and sealed by Queen Anne reads:

"Whereas we are informed that Robert Feilding, Esq., is to be Tryed at the next Sessions to be held at the Old Bayly for having two wives alive at the same time, We have thought fit upon some circumstances humbly represented unto us in his behalfe hereby to signify Our Will and Pleasure unto you, that in case the said Robert Feilding shall upon his Tryall be found guilty of that Felony, you do forbear putting in Execution the Sentence of Burning in the Hand, untill we shall signify our further Pleasure. And for so doing this shall be your Warrant. Given at our Court at Kensington, the Fourth day of December, 1706, In the Fifth Year of our Reign."

(Continued over)

Feilding (Robert) and Duchess of Cleveland—continued.

Each of the testimonies bears the endorsement of Chief Justice Holt.
Robert Feilding was noted at the Court of Charles II as a spendthrift, and in the reign of Queen Anne became conspicuous as a surviving
relic of the rakes of the Restoration period, and endeavoured to retrieve
his lost fortunes by marriage. The Duchess of Cleveland was at one
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On 9th November, 1705, Feilding was married to a Mary Wadsworth. He had been simultaneously courting the Duchess of Cleveland, whom he married 25th November, 1705. He appears to have bullied or beaten both his wives. The first wife, from spite or for a reward, told her story to the Duke of Grafton; Feilding was thereupon prosecuted for bigamy at the Old Bailey. He was convicted, after trying to prove, by the help of a forged entry in the Fleet Register, that Mary Wadsworth was already the wife of another man.

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A most interesting letter concerning the relations between Carlyle and Lamb, mentioning Goethe and Froude the Historian.

"Cannot offer an opinion that is worth anything as to whether Carlyle was fully aware of the sad history of the Lambs; he may or he may not have been, and he may or may not have remained unjust to Lamb,—great men have their failings and as Goethe says, 'strong light casts strong shade,' but this I do know, that when I read the last two vols. of Froude's Carlyle in London, I was glad it had been written. No doubt there was much in it that ought not to have been revealed, but what a soul's history it was . . . how it reconciled one to the man, with every fault and failing—and made one understand how lovable he was through all. . ." Etc.

TREATY OF PEACE WITH UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1783.

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337 [FREDERICK I (1657-1713). King of Prussia.]

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LETTER SIGNED, WITH AUTOGRAPH NOTE OF 41 LINES, TO THE PRINCE OF NASSAU-SIEGEN.

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10s 6d

339 FURNESS (HORACE HOWARD, 1865-1930). Shakespearian Scholar and Editor.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO ANDREW LANG.

4 pp., 12mo. Pennsylvania, N.D.

£1 1s

Got tam (à la Capt. Knockdunder) their impudence, and when I let 'em off so easy, too! as I did in 'The Mer. of Venice' and only poked fun at them, on p. 73. "I am just finishing Cymbeline, and have found it extremely interesting. That hoary scoundrel Belarius, who stole the King's children for twenty years and then with brazen effrontery demanded payment for their board & lodging, bored Shakespeare, I think, and he handed the white-wash brush to an inferior fellow-dramatist." Etc.

340 GAINSBOROUGH (THOMAS, 1727-1788). The Painter.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO JAMES UNWIN.

3 pp., 4to. Bath, 30th December, 1763.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. IV).

£36

A very fine letter referring to his health and his work, and a portrait of Mrs. Unwin.

"... I have taken a house about three-quarters of a mile in the Lansdowne Road; 'tis sweetly situated, and I have every convenience I could wish for; I pay 30 pounds pr. year; and so let off all my house in the smoake except my Painting Room and best parlour to show pictures in. Am I right to ease myself of as much painting work as the lodgings will bring in. I think the

341 GALSWORTHY (JOHN, 1867-1933). Famous Novelist and Playwright. LETTER SIGNED TO "MY DEAR PAYNE."

3 pp., 4to. Devon, 6th June, N.Y.

£3 15s

"... The Americans are in a curious condition. There seems to be among the younger generation, and especially at Universities, a real dramatic stimulus, but I think it lies far more in the direction of the social play than of plays of passion like 'The Spanish Lovers,' or that sort of play generally, that our advanced societies are trying to foster. . . In Chicago, I found a Society existing for repertory plays and one at all events of the prime supporters told me he was looking for some Englishman who could take charge and drive it ahead." Etc.

Historian. Wrote "Decline and 342 GIBBON (EDWARD, 1737-1794). Fall of the Roman Empire."

DOCUMENT SIGNED WITH THREE LINES AUTOGRAPH.

3 pp., folio. 24th July, 1787.

An interesting account of his tailor's charges for clothes supplied to himself and his servant at the time he was finishing the "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" at Lausanne.

343 GLADSTONE (WILLIAM EWART, 1809-1898). Famous Statesman and Author.

(ARTHUR TO SIGNED AUTOGRAPH LETTER O'SHAUGHNESSY).

10s 6d 1½ pp., 8vo. Carlton House Terrace, 20th June, 1871. Thanking O'Shaughnessy for a copy of his Poems.

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345 GODWIN (WILLIAM, THE ELDER, 1756-1836). Philosopher and Novelist. His daughter Mary became the second wife of Shelley the poet.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO DAVID BOOTH.

I page, 4to. 17th August, circa 1827.

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"You seemed to think £250 a great price for the book on which I am now occupied, I think it is a very small one.

"Have you forgotten that I had a thousand for Mandeville? Dugald Stewart has a thousand for the Preliminary Dissertations to Constable's Encyclopedia. I believe this book intrinsically worth as much as either."

346 GOETHE (JOHANN W. VON, 1749-1832). The great Poet and Philosopher.

DOCUMENT SIGNED.

1½ pp., folio. Weimar, 16th April, 1784.

A fine specimen of Goethe's signature to a document which he signs as President of the Chamber at Weimar. It refers to the claims of Bürgermeister Paulsen of Jena to the estate of Kriegsrath von Vogelstedt.

347 GOETHE (JOHANN W. VON).

LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, folio. Weimar, 4th October, 1826.

£12 12s

(Trans.):—"In spite of the Grandducal Superintendent's application to the Grandducal Provincial Board as well as to the Grandducal High Consistory Court to grant the drawingmaster Lieber the 12 Thaler 12 Groschen formerly paid to Professor Müller out of provincial funds, both authorities have sent negative

"We have, however, decided to grant the drawing master Lieber for this year a remuneration of twenty Thaler in order to encourage him and in recognition of his many extraordinary and voluntary efforts and endeavours." Etc.

348 **CORDON** (THOMAS). Chief Justice of New Jersey. Speaker of the House of Assembly.

DOCUMENT SIGNED AS SPEAKER TO GOVERNOR LOVELACE.

1 page, 4to. Amboy, 2nd April, 1709.

"That this House has an Intire Confidence in your Excellency's Justice and Prudence that your Excellency would dispose of the money raised for the support of the Governmt to the purposes designed, yet we dare not say that we have that confidence in these Gentlemen that are now of her Majesties Council." Etc.

NEW JERSEY, 1708.

349 GORDON (THOMAS).

DOCUMENT SIGNED AS SPEAKER ON BEHALF OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, TO HIS EXCELLENCY GOVERNOR LOVELACE.

½-page, folio. 19th March, 1708.

£6 10s

"This House renders their humble and hearty thanks to your Lordship, for favouring us with a coppy of that paper called the Address of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of New Jersey to her Majesty, which we conceive rather to be an Impeachment and lays the House under a necessity humbly to address your Excellency, that you will be pleased to desire the Lieutenant Governor and all those Gentlemen that signed the said Address to attend your Excellency . . . to prove their allegations." Etc.

350 GREEN (VALENTINE, 1739-1813). Famous Mezzotint Engraver.

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351 GREENAWAY (KATE, 1846-1901). Celebrated Illustrator of Children's Books, etc.

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Ruskin's health was a matter of great concern to Kate Greenaway, and in 1885 she refers to his resignation of the Oxford professorship through ill-health, and in 1886 she expresses her fear that he is overworking on other things whilst preparing "Praeterita"—" which is work enough for any one man."

"You are very kind, and Mr. Ruskin is very very kind, and I look forward with very great pleasure to the time I shall pass with you. . . . . . And now about the book suggestion—such a book is thought of, even planned out, and it rested between the choice of that and one other to be the next year's book—the other one has decided as we thought the poetry book would be the best part—but I'll talk to you about it and please don't say anything about it till I've seen you, I don't want it known that I'm going to do a poetry book, it is an understood thing that I do not mention the names of any book going to be done until it is brought out, and this book is to be poems of my own selection, I can only do those that get into my mind of themselves, my own pets and favourites." Etc.

"Let I think perhaps on the 6th. I would like to be greedy and have

Mr. Ruskin all to myself, but I hope he will soon come again, then won't you if you can come—you shall see little May if you like in all the glory of mob cap

#### Greenaway (Kate)—continued.

costume and you shall have muffins for tea. I will toast them myself for you, so do if you can come then. And you know I like to come and see you always, and shall come whenever I may, but I know Mr. Ruskin is rushing about seeing so many people when he is with you that I'm afraid I might be rather a bother coming then. I can come when he is gone." Etc.

"The verses have come in safety, one or two are quite new to me, and would be exactly what I'd like to put in.

"They are all nice, but I doubt if in some cases the copyrights could be obtained and some of them are a little too much about children—children I find

obtained, and some of them are a little too much about children—children I find like to know about other things, or what other children did, but not about

children in an abstract sort of way, that belongs to older people.

"I wonder if you remember what poems you liked best when you were a child. I can remember well some I liked—How Horatius kept the Bridge, I used to love that; then the Wreck of the Hesperus—the Pied Piper, Sandalphon, the Rope Walk, the Thought of Youth, but I'm afraid I have a great many loves—indeed—and so I do now." Etc.

#### 352 GREENAWAY (KATE).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (IN PENCIL) TO LADY DOROTHY (NEVILL).

2½ pp., 8vo. Hampstead, 6th June, 1901.

£2 2s

Written only six months before her death.

It was so kind of you to have the little drawing though I do like always to give them to you as that is the only thing I have to give.

"I went yesterday to Kew Gardens, the Irises are so wonderful growing in mosses around the lake." Etc.

#### ON A TASMANIAN CONVICT.

353 GREGORY (JOHN). Colonial Treasurer of Tasmania, afterwards Governor of the Bahamas.

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3 pp., 4to. Van Dieman's Land, 6th October, 1838. £16 16s

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I much fear that his conduct has been far from good, and that a course of probation must be undergone before he can obtain the indulgence so much sought after by convicts 'a ticket of leave' as it is here called—id est—a certificate that he may work for himself but not quit the Colony. I have made enquiries at the Police Office and find the following sad history of him in the books:

5 May 34. Neglect of duty; charge dismissed.

- 21 May 35.
- Using obscene language in his Master's kitchen. Convicted and punished 6 days in cell—bread and water.

  Stealing desks, quills, etc., convicted and punished by being sent to work on the roads 12 months. 16 Oct. 35.
- 28 Dec. 36. Absenting himself from his station all day. Convicted and punished

by 3 months' hard labour in chains.

9 Jan. 37. Disobedience of orders. Convicted and punished with imprisonment in the cell for 4 days on bread and water.

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(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. V).

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A magnificent specimen of one of the rarest of letters of the Elizabethan period. It is entirely holograph, written by Gresham shortly before his death, and deals, among other matters, with various financial ventures, grieving that his wool and his lambs had not turned out as well as the previous year. Also mentioning his estates at Walsingham, etc.

"After my hartie comendacons and my wife to you and to your daughter yor wife I have receaved yours of the 16th of this pnt., wherebie I greave my wolle nore my lambes is not so good unto me as the wer the last yeare, for that Cely writteth me my soule dothe waye but . . . and my increase of lambes was but . . . and my wolle the last yere waied . . . and my increase of lambes was . . . as the difference is great so I must be content since yt is only man rase this last yeare." Etc.

Gresham reformed the finances of England during Elizabeth's reign, releasing England from a state of entire dependence upon foreigners.

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Written after a visit to Sir William and Lady Hamilton at Naples. Greville befriended Lady Hamilton when Emma Hart; introduced her to Sir William Hamilton, to whom she was married in 1791.

"I shall not attempt to tell you how happily I passed the short time I destined to Naples, how much I am obliged to you & Ly H. for your kindness & friendship. In short, how much I wish to pass my time happily in your company. You may believe me that Friendship, like all truly good things encreases with time, and the general acquaintance in the world has only proved how difficult it is to find men who can be sensible of the same scale of satisfaction & whose ideas sympathise." Etc.

356 **CREY** (CHARLES, 1st EARL, 1729-1807). General. Served in America during the Revolutionary War; afterwards co-operated with Jervis in the capture of the French West Indies.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO "MY DEAR SYMES."
4 pp., folio. Riviere Saltee, 10th February, 1795. £2 10s
Written whilst serving in the West Indies against the French; a

most important military letter.

#### Grey (Charles, 1st Earl)—continued.

"I desire you will not think of returning before the reduction of the Island

which is of the last importance to our future proceedings.

"You know there is two howitzers at the Port of the 70th and by my view yesterday I think they may be moved, by a little clearing of brush wood, under the cover of the hill, which they can be placed behind, within 800 yards.

"I know of no fires, against my positive orders, fires there are too many but that is by a rascally crew of mulattoes near the village of St. Espri, the inhabitants of which should prevent it, having put themselves under our protection.

"I heard from Dundas last night, he is on the heights, opposite Bourbon, we see his fires distinct. He seems to wish us to advance, but I cannot move from hence till the fate of the Island is known." Etc., etc.

# 357 HARDY (THOMAS, 1840-1928). Famous Novelist.

# AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MR. SMITH.

1 page, 8vo. Dorchester, 24th November, 1907. £7 10s

Mentioning Conan Doyle's book, "The Magic Door," a copy of which Smith was sending to Hardy, and continuing:-

I hope Lady Grove's book will do well; being of the lightest kind it probably will: she can write far more seriously when she chooses! But people do not want serious writing.'

# 358 HASTINGS (WARREN, 1732-1818). First Governor-General of British India. Impeached for illegal measures, but acquitted.

## LETTER SIGNED TO J. MICHIE.

4 pp., 4to. Fort William, 6th November, 1783. £3 3s

A long and very fine letter, as to his having signified to the Court of Directors his intention of resigning the Governorship, and thanking the recipient for the support he had received from him. The letter is marked "Duplicate"; it was the rule to send all correspondence from India in duplicate at that time.

"My public employment has left me but little time for those offices of private friendship to which my heart has always strongly inclined me. Besides that if made at an earlier period their motives might have been suspected. They might have been considered rather as the intended purchase of future services than as a return for the past. At present they are liable to such suspicions. The time has nearly arrived which will terminate my public life, and with it all the hopes and fears belonging to it." Etc., etc.

# 359 HATTON (SIR CHRISTOPHER, 1540-1591). Lord Chancellor.

LETTER SIGNED TO SIR JOHN PEYTON AND NATHANIEL BACON.

1 page, folio. London, September, 1588. £7 10s

. . By the peticon here enclosed, I am enformed of sume harde course of dealinge pursued against this bearer Simon Smith of Lynne, merchant, by one Willm. Downing, a man (as it sholde seeme) unconscionably bent to molest him wth out just or lawful cause." Etc. 360 HEARNE (THOMAS, 1678-1735). Historical Antiquary.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO NARCISSUS LUTTRELL.

13 pp., 4to. Oxford, 1st June, 1711.

£3 10s

An extremely interesting letter entirely concerning the publication of his "Leland's 'Itinerary'." Etc.

have been punctual to my first Proposal of not exceeding an hundred and twenty. By confining myself to so small a number I am like to be a considerable Loser, but the Publick interest makes me wave all private Advantage whatsoever. I take the offer you make of encouraging whatever Books I shall put out very kindly, and I take this opportunity of returning you my thanks. . . I should be glad to know what Antiquity the MS. Copy of Leland's Itinerary is of that you mention. I suppose that 'tis only a Transcript of Mr. Burton who used a great deal of liberty both in altering Mr. Leland's way of writing and in transposing several passages. I have used that exactness that I have follow'd Mr. Leland in all his Faults, and not vary'd from him in a single Letter. In the last volume I shall have a Review of the whole Work, at which time I shall take occasion in short to observe several things that I designedly pass'd over in my Notes at the Bottom of the Page. The IVth Volume is almost printed." Etc.

361 HEINSIUS (NIKOLAAS, 1620-1681). Dutch Scholar.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO JOHANNES CABDIAR.

1-page, folio. Leyden, 16th July, 1640.

£1 5s

Regretting that he had neglected to forward a letter from Olaus Wormius when writing the previous day.

362 **HELLER** (STEPHEN, 1813-1888). German Composer and Pianist. Friend of Chopin, Berlioz, Liszt, etc.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MR. WOOD.

2 pp., 8vo. Paris, 22nd October, 1862. With two bars of music in the text. £2 10s

(Trans.):—"The German and French polishers will be ready to publish the Nocturne and the Polonaise on Nov. 5, and if you do not send me word to the contrary, I shall fix that day for the simultaneous publication in the three countries.

 $\lq\lq$  I should like to make one little change, quite easy to make, for two bars only.'' Etc.

363 HENRI IV (1553-1610). King of France.

LETTER SIGNED TO CAPTAIN MESME.

1-page, 4to. 18th February, 1579.

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A fine letter requesting Captain Mesme to call and see him on a matter of importance.

# 364 HENRIETTA MARIA (1609-1669). Queen of Charles I.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "HENRIETTA MARIE R."

1½ pp., 4to. St. Germain-en-Laye, 23rd July, 1645.

Written to Cardinal Mazarin, thanking him for the proofs of affection he has given her, and particularly for the money which he has offered her. On escaping to France the previous year she opened negotiations with the Cardinal and obtained the promise of his help.

(Trans.):—"Having already on several occasions had such material proofs of your affection towards me, that I should think I was wronging the return I have for it, if by all the means in my power, I did not show you my gratitude for it: and only having these of writing for the present. I will make use of them to express my thanks to you: and particularly for the last obligation which I have to you for the assistance of money which you have offered to me through Commander de Souvré, it is a generosity which I shall never forget." Etc.

#### OF DUTCH INTEREST.

# 365 HENRIETTA MARIA. Queen of Charles I of England.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO LOUIS XIV OF FRANCE.

2 pp., 4to. Paris, 8th March (1660). With seals and silks. £28

Warning Louis XIV against some designs of Holland. The Queen is very careful in the matter, she endeavouring to keep on good terms with the United Provinces on account of the impending restoration of her son, Charles II.

(Trans.):—"The States of the United Provinces sending Sieur Copes to your Majesty on the subject of Orange and having begged me to add my entreaties to those which he is ordered to present to you on their behalf, in order to divert you from the designs they appear to have: I have little satisfaction in the share I am obliged to take in this affair, but for expressing to your Majesty the pleasure I shall have if the considerations into which I beseech you to enter are able to suggest to you the advisability of not proceeding." Etc.

## CLOTHES FOR THE PAGES OF HENRY VIII.

366 HENRY VIII (1491-1547). King of England.

DOCUMENT SIGNED (VELLUM).

1 page, oblong 4to. Richmond, 5th November, 1510. £25 Ordering gowns, doublets, hose, hats, etc. for his pages.

"... for every of them a dymy gowne of tauny meddley furred wt fox... and another of tauny damask furred wt blak... a doublet of blak velvet and another of tauny saten... foure peyres hoses, one of them scharlet, foure peyres duble soled shone." Etc.

# 367 HENRY VIII. King of England.

LETTER SIGNED AND SUBSCRIBED, TO MARIE, DOWAGER QUEEN OF HUNGARY, AND GOVERNOR OF THE LOW COUNTRIES.

1 page, oblong folio. Ampthill, 24th November, 1543. £21

This letter, which bears a very fine specimen of Henry's signature, as well as the subscription "Vre bon fre et cousin" in his hand, is transferring the English Ambassador, Nicholas Wotton, from the Court of Marie, to that of the Emperor Charles V.

In March, 1543, Wotton, together with Sir Thomas Seymour, was sent to the Court of Marie, who was then Regent of the Netherlands, to secure the exemption of English goods from import duties in the Netherlands, but the imminence of war between England and France, and France and the Emperor Charles V, soon led to negotiations for an alliance between Henry and Charles, in which Wotton took considerable part. On 24th November he was transferred to Charles' Court, and, the terms of the alliance having been settled, he accompanied him during his invasion of France the following summer, while Henry besieged and took Boulogne.

In 1529 Wotton attended the proceedings of the legatine court which sat in London in June and July to try the divorce question of Henry and Catherine of Aragon, and in June, 1530, was sent to France to assist in procuring a favourable answer from foreign universities. He was Proctor for Anne Boleyn in 1536, and in 1539 was one of the ambassadors sent to the Duke of Cleves to negotiate a marriage between Henry and the Duke's sister Anne. He accompanied her to England in December and in the following July had the unpleasant task of communicating to the Duke, Henry's repudiation of his sister.

368 HENRY, PRINCE OF PRUSSIA (1726-1802). Brother of Frederick the Great. Learned and liberal Prince, connected with all the writers of the XVIIIth century.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER (IN FRENCH) SIGNED "HENRICO" TO THE CHEVALIER DE BOUFFLERS.

 $1\frac{1}{2}$  pp., 4to. Rheinsberg, 20th December, 1796. **£6 6s** 

Important letter of military and literary interest. He does not answer his correspondent's letter "because the post is not discreet; everywhere the letters are opened, and I have no wish at the present moment to make the whole of Europe confidant of my thoughts." It seems to him that "the Council of Vienna is as deaf to the noise of the

## Henry, Prince of Prussia—continued.

cannon as is its Marshal (Wurmser) formerly in Italy, but unfortunately arrived near Innsbruck." Jourdan goes back, but Moreau has just entered Munich and Ratisbon "after taking the liberty of thoroughly defeating the troops of his Imperial Majesty." He also gives him news about the Prussian theatres and about Mme. de Boufflers."

369 **HEYDON** (SIR CHRISTOPHER, died 1623). Writer on Astrology. Suspected of complicity in the Earl of Essex's Conspiracy, 1601.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO "NATHANIEL BACON, ESQUYRE."

1 page, folio. Baconsthorpe, 16th January, 1574. £5 5s

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370 HOGG (JAMES, 1770-1835). The Ettrick Shepherd.

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2 pp., folio. (27th July, 1822).

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The first verse of the poem reads:—

"Carle an the King came,
Carle an the King came,
Thou shalt dance and I shall sing,
Carle an the King came,
A royal face whin have we seen?
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Faith we shall bob it on the green,
Carle an the King came." Etc.

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THE QUARREL BETWEEN BISHOP HOOPER AND THE BISHOP OF LONDON.

372 HOOPER (JOHN, died 1555). Bishop of Gloucester and Worcester.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER (IN LATIN) SIGNED TO PETER MARTYR, THE FAMOUS PROTÉGÉ OF QUEEN ISABELLA AND HISTORIAN OF CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS.

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(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. VI).

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(Trans.):—". . . . By constant report and generally also in the conversation of all I see it said how seriously the Bishop of London and I differ. The source of the strife however has as yet been known to few. Lest I should err in humanity I send your excellency the occasion and cause of all the quarrelling

### Hooper (John)—continued.

that those things which do not agree with the word of God you may correct. . . My opinion about the Divorce, by which name not only man but also the preachers of the churches calumniate me, you shall receive at the same time." Etc.

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"Tis sweet Ellen Douglas if sight I divine
Eros! Thou Classical God of sweet glances
Teach me to ogle & make the nymph mine.
Smile on a Grecian true,
Ellen for love of you,
Quite metamorphos'd from Blacksmith to Beau;
Hair comb'd & gloves so new
Grace your trim Roderic Dhu
While every Gownsman cries wondering Ho Ho!

In Greek I believe I must utter my passion
For Greek's more familiar than English to me,
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# 377 JAMES I OF ENGLAND AND VI OF SCOTLAND.

LETTER SIGNED TO VISCOUNT FALKLAND.

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Entirely concerning Sir Richard Bolton, who had been promoted from the office of Solicitor-General of Ireland, to that of Attorney "of our Court of Wards and Liverys there."

". Some doubt hath been conceaved whether wee by making him a iudiciall officer, intended to exclude him from his practise in our other Courte. For explanation and deciding of wch. doubt, wee at the humble request of the said Sr. Richard Bolton are graciously pleased by theis our lres to signific and declare, that it was never our princely meaning or intention that he, the said Sr. Richard Bolton by his said remove for our service should receive any prejudice but rather benefitt." Etc.

DECLARATION OF LIBERTY OF CONSCIENCE, 1687.

378 JAMES II (1633-1701). King of England.

DOCUMENT SIGNED ADDRESSED TO GEORGE, LORD JEFFREYS.

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This document, ordering "our Great Seal of England to bee affixed to our gracious Declaration to all our loving subjects for liberty of

#### James II-continued.

Conscience," is dated 4th April, 1687, the day on which the memorable Declaration of Indulgence appeared.

The King having convinced himself that he could not obtain entire liberty for Roman Catholics, and yet maintain the laws against Protestant Dissenters, leaned to a plan of general indulgence, but at heart would have been far better pleased if he could have divided his protection and favour between the Church of Rome and the Church of England, to the exclusion of all other religious persuasions.

He determined to begin with Scotland, and in February, 1687, a declaration was published in Edinburgh, granting relief to scrupulous consciences. After a month it became evident that all hope must be abandoned of an alliance between the Churches of England and of Rome, for the purpose of sharing offices and emoluments, and crushing the Puritan sects. On 18th March, 1687, Parliament was prorogued, and by his own authority the King granted entire liberty of conscience to all his subjects, the Declaration of Indulgence appearing on 4th April.

THE SECOND DECLARATION OF RELIGIOUS INDULGENCE, 1688.

## 379 JAMES II. King of England.

THE ROYAL WARRANT SIGNED BY THE KING ORDERING JUDGE JEFFREYS TO AFFIX THE GREAT SEAL TO THE KING'S DECLARATION OF RELIGIOUS INDULGENCE.

I page, folio. Whitehall, 27th April, 1688. With Impressed Seal. Countersigned by the Earl of Sunderland.

This document, ordering "our Great Seale of England to be affixed to our gracious Declaration" is dated 27th April, 1688, the day on which the second Declaration of Indulgence appeared, the first appearing in April, 1687.

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Parliament was dissolved in the following July, and James, by various manipulations, tried to secure a more subservient body. His manœuvres failing, his determination increased and on 27th April, 1688, he put forth his second Declaration of Indulgence, which, while reiterating his religious policy, announced his intention of assembling Parliament in November at the latest. When seven Bishops petitioned him (18th May) against the Declaration, James told them that they had raised the standard of rebellion. They were consigned to the Tower a fortnight later, but were acquitted 30th June.

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- "The drawing materials arrived yesterday evening, and we are very much obliged to you for your kindness in taking the trouble to get them. They have not been wanted hitherto, and I much fear that but little will be done with them now they have arrived, for I do not believe in self-teaching even with the assistance of Mr. Ruskin."
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387 LANDOR (WALTER SAVAGE, 1775-1864). Author.

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". . . I wish you had the patience to transcribe my Godiva. I myself let many things pass and disappear, merely for the sake of avoiding the transcript of them. My very best and most liveliest thoughts, and even my strongest and most sustained arguments have never been even written down by me, partly from pure idleness, and partly lest any bodily occupation or movement should disturb the delightful state of my intellect at the time. These, like slighted women, may indeed return again, but never with their first warmth. They have their hearts too and half lose them at neglect. As for my Godiva, she will make many bright eyes brighter, many tender breasts tenderer, many good souls better—and, what amuses me to think of—among those who doubt and argue whether the story is well written or badly." Etc.

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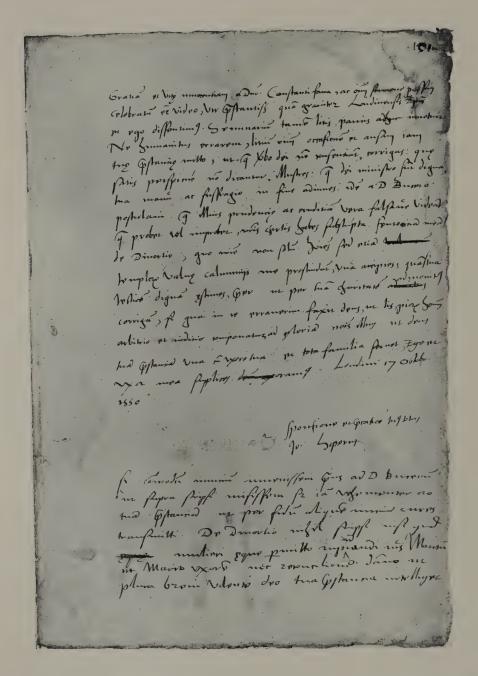
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Autograph Letter Signed.

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Maty.

"Humbly prayeth in regard ye two Universityes are ye great nurseries from whence ye Church in all places of ye kingedomes is to be supplyed; and yt if they wen are there to be trayned up, shall be irregularly bredd, it will not be possible to uphold good order or discipline in ye Church." Etc.

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Law (Andrew Bonar)—continued.

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"I am proposing to say something about Tariff Reform at a meeting at the Albert Hall shortly, but it will need to be very general. I should like to know whether I am right in making this general statement: that at the time Bismarck changed the fiscal system in Germany, nearly all the Professors of Economy were against it, whereas now there are in the whole of Germany only two economists of any note who still adhere to the system which is orthodox in this country." Etc.

393 LAWRENCE (SIR THOMAS, 1769-1830). President of the Royal Academy.

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Referring to his work, and explaining to Professor Owen a passage in his third edition of Comte's "Philosophy of the Sciences" which he thinks the Professor might wrongly interpret.

#### Lewes (George Henry)—continued.

"I hope I am wrong in my uncomfortable notion that you have interpreted a phrase or two of mine into a covert allusion of contempt or sarcasm against your sincerely respected self. That we differ profoundly respecting Design & the Creator is an old story—that difference never yet has disturbed our harmony—but what is new is the suspicion (it is not more) that you interpret my language as covertly attacking you, & above all as imputing 'infirmity' to you." Etc.

"A question! Can one as a generalization from known facts say that palaontologically all species are larger in the earlier epochs than their correspondents in our epoch? and is there anything like a serial diminution? I don't of course mean all prehistorical animals larger than ours, but are prehistoric-crustacea larger than ours." Etc.

"Will you suggest to your colleague Paget that I should like to review his Lectures on Surgical Pathology if he will tell his publisher to send the book to the Editor of the Leader. From a glimpse I had of it in a shop it seems very important."

396 **LINCOLN** (ABRAHAM, 1809-1865). President of the United States.

DOCUMENT SIGNED.

I page, large folio (vellum). Washington, 24th November, 1862. With Impressed Seal. £21

Appointing Alexander Schwartz American Consul at Riga.

397 **LISZT** (FRANZ, 1811-1886). The Great Hungarian Composer and Pianist.

#### AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO A LADY FRIEND.

2 pp., 8vo. Weimar, 17th July, 1876.

£2 2s

"I find it difficult to answer your amiable lines as unfortunately I am unable to fulfil your wish concerning Bayreuth. A trial visit is not allowed, and it behoves us not to transgress this law.

"I played several times the excellent opus 'Andante and Variations' for two pianofortes, by E. G. Hirschfield, the two Polonaises by the same Composer dedicated to me belong to my not very numerous favourites.

"Please express to your husband once more my best thanks for these."

# 308 LOCKER-LAMPSON (FREDERICK, 1821-1895). Poet.

#### AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MISS TOMSON.

 $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp., 8vo. Crawley, Sussex, 19th December, 1891. With addressed envelope.

Apologising for having previously addressed his correspondent as a gentleman.

". . . My mistake will have shown you how brutally men usually express themselves when writing to each other.

"The little alteration is not of the slightest consequence; if ever you reprint my poem I think it will be better without the heading, which is poor enough." Etc.

## 399 LONDON. REBUILDING THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT.

DOCUMENT ADDRESSED TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

In all 4 pp., folio. Palace of Westminster, 1854.

A very interesting document relative to the rebuilding and decoration of the Houses of Parliament at Westminster and for the promotion and encouragement of the Fine Arts in the United Kingdom. Forming the tenth report of the commissioners appointed by Her Majesty.

With the Seals and Signatures of H.R.H. Albert, Prince Consort, Sutherland, Robert Peel, Lyndhurst, W. Russell, Palmerston, Samuel Rogers, Aberdeen, Lansdown, Carlisle, Newcastle, Canning, etc.

# 400 **LOWELL** (JAMES RUSSELL, 1819-1891). American Poet. AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MRS. ANDREW LANG.

2 pp., 8vo. 3oth May, 1888. £1 5s

"You can't suppose that I would travel all the way to Bologna to see an Exhibition when I could have the privilege of gazing on what is so much more charming, by an easy journey to Marloes Road. No! my engagement is with another lady—the University of Bologna." Etc.

#### 401 LOWELL (JAMES RUSSELL).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE SAME.

1 page, 8vo. On mourning paper. 15th April, 1885.

Acknowledging condolences on the death of his wife.

# 402 **LYELL** (SIR CHARLES, 1797-1875). Famous Geologist. AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO J. SMITH.

3 pp., 4to. 9th February, 1839.

15s

**18s** 

£2 2s

An interesting letter to James Smith, the geologist, entirely on matters connected with geology.

"I... quite agree with you on the desirability of your communicating to the Geological Society the results at which you have arrived respecting the probable climate of the Newer Pliocene period in Gt. Britain. Captain Bayfield sent me some newer plio. shells from Canada 2 years ago & Dr. Beck agrees with me that they imply a colder or at least a more equable climate than now exists in the same latitudes." Etc.

# 403 LYTTON (EDWARD LYTTON BULWER, LORD, 1803-1873). Novelist. FOUR AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED TO MRS. WHITBY.

15 pp., 4to. Dated between 29th November, 1846, and 11th May, 1849. £1 5s

An interesting series of letters regarding his nursery at Knebworth; thanking Mrs. Whitby for her numerous gifts, and advice; and referring to the three objects he has in view,—the mulberry, the growing of flax, and orchards like those in Kent

#### 404 LYTTON (EDWARD LYTTON BULWER, LORD).

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIVE AUTOGRAPH LETTERS TO W. KENT.

323 pp., 4to, 8vo and 12mo. 1851-1873.

£42

An extensive collection of letters dealing with his literary work, parliamentary elections, etc.

He mentions his "What will he do with it?" "St. Stephens," "A Strange Story," "Lost Tales of Miletus," "England and the English," and evades acknowledging that he is the author of "A Coming Race," a secret which was kept till death, and expresses annoyance with the printers over errors in his poems.

Lytton for many years was a member of Parliament and he refers to the elections of 1852, 1858, etc., Benjamin Disraeli, the Reform Bill, speeches by Bright, Disraeli and Gladstone, Palmerston's amendment,

"Many thanks for your friendly 'congratulations.' I am astonished at Many thanks for your friendly 'congratulations.' I am astonished at what the House is kind eno' to consider a decided success, for I was not up to my own mark such as it is; left out what I had meant to say as strongest in argt. said some things I never meant to say—was disgusted with my own manner & delivery, etc., etc. But I hope, as I gain self confidence & knowledge of the House that I shall improve. Meanwhile I have a right to be satisfied with the indulgence I received, & no congratulations pleased me more than yours.'' Etc.

'L. I have just finished my Strange Story which is the highest and deepest of all my fictions. I think you will say so when you get to the close. I think it a great vindication of soul and distinct power of mind and that it solves many riddles.''

many riddles."

"Look over a poem called The Congress in to-day's Times, it is mine. There is a misprint, stanza 2 line 3." Etc.

". . . I trust you are quite recovered. I presume you have the poems, if so there is a horrid erratum p. 357 . . . I have two lines ending in 'skies'

I am in despair about it.

"1 am very much gratified and touched by your kind and friendly notice of me and the poems, nor the less for the friendly manner in which you point out their effects. Some day or other I will ask you to define 'sensualness' in poetry for I own I find it difficult to say what is and what is not sensualness in poetry. So far as I understand it I do not conceive it to be the popular element in the poetry of the day. And I do not remember one remarkable poet in any age in which the genuine attribute was conspicuous. But probably I do not rightly understand the word.

"For myself it is quite enough to have the verses I have written recognised

"For myself it is quite enough to have the verses I have written recognised as poetry of some kind or other and I thank you very much for such recognition."

". . . I am now finishing off my Last Milescon Story which I propose to commence them all with. Is there any chance of your being able to pay me a visit next week. If so I could commit the MSS. to you here, if not I will bring them to town." Etc.

". . . I think Dis. has a good chance of staying in, any premature attempt to turn him out would make him very popular. He has a tractable party to deal with and no great difficulties at present. The Irish Church will I presume be postponed and Parliament will not hear of wild schemes which under the name of Jesuit lights confiscate property." Etc.

". . . I think Dizz's day of power looks drawing to a final close. If the elections turn out as I expect they must, the remainder of his party will be very mutinous and their sole chance is in appointing another leader.

"I suppose I shall leave it for Torquay next week. I am vainly endeavouring to get on with the novel."

". . . I don't think Dizz's compliment to his wife means anything as (Continued over)

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Lytton (Edward Lytton Bulwer, Lord)—continued.

to his own future hopes. I am told she is 75 and at that age it is better to take a bird in the hand.
"I do hope that he will atone for his manifold sins in some degree by doing

a good act towards you before he retires sub umbra." Etc.
". . . Disraeli is in high force and spirits. He ought to be delighted with your article in the Sun tonight." Etc.

405 MACPHERSON (JAMES, 1736-1796). The alleged translator of the Ossianic poems. Mentioned by Horace Walpole in his "Journal."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED SIR DALRYMPLE, THE SCOTTISH JUDGE.

3 pp., 4to. Balgowan, 24th April, 1760. On Irish versification.

£2 10s

Inclosed I send two short specimens of the Irish versification: I found no time to review critically pieces of great length; but, I hope the few lines sent will give an idea of the measure. One is not to be byass'd against the harmony of the language for the many consonants in the present specimen, as I could not express the sound of the erse otherwise in our characters.

"The Irish character differs in pronounciation from the few alphabets I

am acquainted with, and several of our Erse sounds are inexpressible in any other but our own." Etc.

406 MANUEL (PIERRE LOUIS, 1751-1793). French Politician. Opposed the condemnation of Louis XVI. Executed 1793.

LETTER SIGNED.

1½ pp., 4to. Paris, 1st September, 1792.

An interesting letter concerning the deportation of the priests who had refused to take the civil oath. The following day (2nd September) they were taken in carriages from the Hôtel de Ville, to the Prison of the Abbaye, where they were cruelly murdered in the courtvard, the mob then turning on the other prisoners.

"Vous avez du recevoir, Citoyens, un Arrêté du conseil Général de la Commune sur les mesures à prendre pour l'éxécution du décret relatif à la déportation des Prêtres insermentés. Je vous prie de vouloir bien, conformement à cette Arrêté, délivrer des passeports à ceux qui peuvent être détenus dans l'Arrondissement de votre Section, de veiller à leur départ, et de faire arrêter tous ceux qui à l'expiration du delai fixé par la loi, resteraient encore dans Paris." Etc.

407 MARCONI (GUGLIELMO, born 1875). Inventor of Wireless Telegraphy.

TWO AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED (ONE IN ITALIAN AND ONE IN ENGLISH).

 $2\frac{1}{2}$  pp., 4to. £3 15s

Two Draft Letters by Marconi. The one in English is written to the General Press Cutting Association regarding his wish to become a subscriber for all "Newspaper Cuttings relating to telegraphy or signalling without wires or me personally-all articles of interest from British and foreign papers."

408 MARAT (JEAN PAUL, 1744-1793). One of the most famous men of the French Revolution. Assassinated in his bath by Charlotte Corday.

THE GRAND LODGE CERTIFICATE OF JEAN PAUL MARAT RECORDING HIS INITIATION AND ADMISSION TO THE THIRD DEGREE AT THE LODGE AT THE KING'S HEAD, GERRARD STREET, SOHO, LONDON.

I page (vellum). London, 15th July, 1774. With Impressed Seal, (SEE ILLUSTRATION, FRONTISPIECE).

This Certificate is a "Three Graces" type, and records Marat's initiation and admission to the Third Degree at the Lodge at the King's Head, Gerrard Street, Soho. This Lodge was the second of three French Lodges in London, all of which met at one time or another at the King's Head. The "French Lodge" founded in 1754, moved there in 1779. The "Esperance" founded in 1768, was there from 1770 to 1777, so that it is this Lodge which initiated Marat. The two Lodges subsequently combined in 1797. The third Lodge to meet there, L'Egalite, was not constituted till 1785. But it also united with the "French Lodge" in 1793.

At this date, 1774, Marat is known to have been in London when he published a work, "Les Chaines de l'Esclavage," which attracted the unfavourable attention of the Government. The Certificate has an endorsement showing that he visited La Bien Aimee, a Lodge at Amsterdam, in October of that same year.

THE REVOLUTIONARIES ARE EXHIBITING AT ONE SOU PER HEAD MARIE ANTOINETTE SEATED ON A CANE CHAIR.

- 409 [MARIE ANTOINETTE (1755-1793). Queen of France.] ARMFELDT (GUSTAVE MAURICE, BARON D', 1757-1814). Swedish General. Minister at the Court of Italy.
  - (1) LETTER IN FRENCH TO BARON D'ARMFELDT FROM HIS COUSIN.
    - 4 pp., 4to. Vienna, 24th October, 1793.
    - (2) LETTER TO HIM FROM A LADY.

2 pp., 4to. 5th November, 1793.

The long letter from his cousin contains news of the French, Austrian and Swedish Courts and Society. Referring to Marie Antoinette: "A horrible rumour is circulating here; it would be incredible, except that anything atrocious on the part of that infernal clique is possible; it is that they are exhibiting the unfortunate Queen of France for money, at one sou per head, seated on a cane chair. One cannot think of the unheard of and unimaginable misfortunes of that princess without feeling one's soul torn with grief and without shuddering with horror and indignation."

The other letter gives the news of the execution of Marie Antoinette. "The sad news so long feared, has reached us, The Unhappy Queen is no more. I cannot express to you the effect which this infamous trial has had on me; for to me it is more iniquitous than the death of the king. By a letter from Switzerland it seems that she was treated infamously."

# 410 MARIE FEODOROWNA. Wife of Czar Paul I of Russia.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

2 pp., 8vo. St. Petersburg, 22nd October, 1813.

An important letter written a few days after the famous Battle of Leipsic; mentioning that 15 officers were taken, amongst whom were Marshal Macdonald and General Lauriston, 3,500 prisoners, and 182 cannon.

# 411 MARLBOROUGH (SARAH JENNINGS, DUCHESS OF, 1660-1744). Wife of the "Great Duke."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

3<sup>1</sup> pp., 4to. London, 24th March, 1719.

£5 5s

£8 10s

A most interesting letter from the Duchess of Marlborough respecting a sum of £50,000 which the Duke at the time of the exile had entrusted to Lord Cadogan to place in the Dutch funds.

Cadogan, with the best intentions, had invested the money in Austrian securities, which at the time appeared more advantageous. These, however, had greatly depreciated, and the Duchess, whose letter betrays a querulous feeling towards Cadogan, having insisted on reimbursement, Cadogan, who had not applied the money to the specific purpose for which it was entrusted to him, was obliged to make good the deficiency at heavy loss.

# 412 MARTINEAU (HARRIET, 1802-1876). Author.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MR. BRACEBRIDGE.

3 pp., 12mo. Ambleside, 30th October, 1859.

£3 10s

An extremely interesting letter dealing with George Eliot's "Scenes of Clerical Life" and "Adam Bede," the authorship of which was claimed by a Mr. Higgins.

". . . I have to-day received a most extraordinary disclosure from Mrs. Gaskell, by which it appears that Mr. Higgins has claimed, in so many words, and at a dinner party, the sole authorship of both books. Mrs. Gaskell is entirely convinced now of Miss Evans being the unassisted author of both books. No more argument is needed—no more evidence; but the past history is most curious. If anything is done, it should be by Miss Evans asking Mr. Higgins what he has to say. In her place I should do this, though it is not now necessary. As far as I know, her rights are now admitted by all." Etc.

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Derlis ie 24 Novembre 56.

Monder Malien!

Montieur Porasdur vient de m'easuyera Berlin on je Imir depuir deux mois Voge depeite télégraphique deux mois de vour laquelle Vour me demander di je veux venir à Mapler que la proposet. Ma lante ne me permettrait par le faire une aufi long voyage deux mue aufi rude daison; mer or oupation, mitueller ne me le permettrait par plur. Je se puir drui par me readre à votre aimable instation.

Veniller me rappeller an Souverin de l'illustre Madance Tederso l'esprés join der lentinents l'esprés join der lentinents les plus distingués de MITE tres desvié Heyerbees,

JACOB MEYERBEER.

Autograph Letter from Collection.

See Item No. 421.

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> FRIEDRICH VON SCHILLER. Autograph Letter Signed. (Facsimile shows fourth page). See Item No. 480.

413 MARY I (1516-1558). Queen of England. Married Philip II of Spain.

LETTER (IN FRENCH) SIGNED AND SUBSCRIBED "VOSTRE BONNE SEUR ET COUSYNE MARYE," TO MARIE THE DOWAGER QUEEN OF HUNGARY, AND GOVERNOR OF THE LOW COUNTRIES.

I page, oblong folio. St. James', 10th April, 1554. £85

A very fine document, signed by Mary during the first year of her reign, recalling Thomas Thirlby, Bishop of Norwich, who had been sent as ambassador to the Emperor Charles V.

The letter is addressed to our "Tres haulte et tres excellent Princesse nre, tres chere et tres aymee bonne seur et cousine La Reyne Douairiere d'Hongarie Regente pour l'Empereur et Pays bas." This was Marie of Austria (the wife of Louis II of Portugal) who, in 1531, was appointed governor of the Low Countries by her brother Charles V, and which position she held until his abdication in 1555.

Thomas Thirlby (1506-1570), the first and only Bishop of West-

minster, was constituted Bishop of Norwich in 1550.

Thirlby was high in Mary's favour, and was one of the prelates who presided at the trials of Bishop Hooper, John Rogers, Rowland Taylor, and others, for heresy. In February, 1555, he was appointed, together with Anthony Browne, Viscount Montague and Sir Edward Carne, a special ambassador to the Pope to make the Queen's obedience, and to obtain a confirmation of all those graces which Cardinal Pole had granted in his name. He returned to London from Rome the following August with a bull confirming the Queen's title to Ireland.

## AS QUEEN REGENT OF SCOTLAND.

414 MARY OF GUISE (1515-1560). Queen of James V of Scotland. Mother of Mary, Oueen of Scots.

DOCUMENT (IN LATIN) SIGNED "MARIE R." ADDRESSED TO VIGLIUS ZUICHEMUS, PRESIDENT OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL OF THE IMPERIAL MAJESTY IN THE DOMINIONS OF LOWER GERMANY.

With Impressed 1 page, folio. Edinburgh, 1st January, 1554. Seal.

Signed by Mary, the Queen-Dowager of James V of Scotland as Regent (four months before her official appointment as Queen Regent for her daughter, Mary, Queen of Scots).

(Trans.):—"Mary the widow, Queen of Scotland and Governess thereof, to his magnificence Lord Viglius a Zuichem, President of the Privy Council of the Imperial Majesty in the provinces of Lower Germany, and Knight, and doctor of either law, in eterrity of integrity of affection.

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## Mary of Guise—continued.

"Formerly, your Magnificence, to the most illustrious Queen of Hungary, Governess of Lower Germany, we gave letters, verily full of insults, intentionally by John Vinter, citizen of Berg, on Robert Landis and George Kincaid, Scotsmen, uncivilly inflicted; which insults, indeed, we did not deem it necessary to enumerate to you in those letters, because we believe that you, whether from the reading of the cited letters or by the authority of your office, have already understood them. Wherefore at present, we in friendship pray and beseech you, as a zealous lover of mutual concord, that according to the integrity of your soul and its wellknown honesty you will assist these afflicted Scotsmen (of whom one is almost destroyed by the filth of the prison of Berg, but the other is almost brought to extreme starvation by the delay in action and demands on his ruined fortunes) with your favour and wisdom, and hasten the despatch of their causes to a good and just end. Since of your singular humanity we are surely confident that you will not desert these unfortunate and wretched merchants, so far as justice shall appear, on that account accept our kindly affection. In the meantime, your Magnificence, may God grant that justice be done to the necessitous and afflicted. Farewell. Given at our royal palace at Edinburgh on the Kalends of January in the year of our Salvation 1554. The friend of your virtue, MARIE R." "Formerly, your Magnificence, to the most illustrious Queen of Hungary,

## WAR IN IRELAND.

415 MARY OF MODENA (MARIE BEATRICE D'ESTE, 1658-1718). Queen of James II.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "M. R." TO COMTE DE LAUZAN.

I page, 4to. St. Germain, ce Dimanche. Circa 1600. With Seal. £10 10s

Informing him she has received a letter from England, but doubts the news it contains until she hears from Ireland; also begging him to hasten the despatch of the help which the King of France had promised to the Jacobites in Ireland.

(Trans.): -- "I have just received a letter from England, which I am sending to you, not daring to send it to the King directly because I still doubt the news to you, not daring to send it to the King directly because I still doubt the news and shall doubt it until I have some myself from Ireland. However I flatter myself that some part of this may very well be true, and I am expecting confirmation of it every moment. In the name of God push forward the help which it has been decided to send to Ireland, as for lack of not following up the small successes we have, we may profit nothing at all from them; we have had so many misfortunes, that one can with difficulty believe in good news, but at last God will help us, and if only the King of France helps us, we may without a miracle return to England. This is the time to act, if it is lost, we are ruined. But I waste my time in telling you all this for you know it better than I, and after myself I think it touches you more than anyone in the world."

416 MAY (PHIL, 1864-1903). Caricaturist. Worked for "Punch." AUTOGRAPH LETTER, WITH SKETCH IN PLACE OF SIGNATURE, TO SAM. SMITH.

> 11 pp., 8vo. Holland Park Road, 31st December, 1886. Also addressed envelope with sketch.

"Many thanks for your kindness in taking the trouble to help me. I send you back your list with the subjects marked that I would like to have. I will take the greatest care of them.

£3 3s

"I am sorry to say I am very unwell at the moment. My head is very bad. I am overworked and cannot get away from it, unless I break down altogether.

Etc.

417 MENDELSSOHN-BARTHOLDY (FELIX, 1809-1847). Famous Composer.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO TAUBERT, THE GERMAN COMPOSER.

23 pp., 4to. Lucerne, 27th August, 1831.

£31 10s

An extremely interesting letter entirely on musical matters; refers to his wish to compose an opera; and also mentions Goethe, Shakespeare, Schiller, etc.

(Trans.):—". . . What pleasure and how comforting it is to know that there is one more musician in this world who has the same ideals and intentions as oneself you can hardly feel as I do at this moment, when I come from a country where music does not exist any more among the people. Up till now I have found it impossible to imagine any country to be like this, least of all Italy, with her rich flourishing nature and her inspiring history. But the last events which I witnessed there have unfortunately shown me that other things besides music have died out in that country.

"I, on my part, have now an unconquerable fancy for an opera; if I had the words to-day I think the opera would be finished by to-morrow; so irresistibly and I impossed to make the words it.

the words to-day I think the opera would be finished by to-morrow; so irresistibly am I impelled towards it.

"Where I am to find the words seems to me to be an even greater puzzle since last night when I saw the German 'Aesthetik-Blatt' for the first time again for over a year. Really and truly the German Parnassus seems to be as crazy as European politics. Good gracious! I had to digest the affected Menzel, who modestly tried to belittle Goethe, and the stilted Grabbe, who modestly abused Shakespeare, and the philosophers, who after all think Schiller too trivial—really I should like to go for them! Please excuse my strong language, but I have not read such stuff for a long time, and it made me furious to see that the philosophers who pretend that art has come to an end will persist in their foolish statement, as if art could ever cease." statement, as if art could ever cease."

## HIS ORATORIO "ST. PAUL."

# 418 MENDELSSOHN-BARTHOLDY (FELIX).

A VERY FINE AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO HIS FRIEND, J. ROSENHAIM OF PARIS.

4 full pages, 8vo. Berlin, 13th January, 1842.

£7 10s

Concerning his friend's work and his own; then as to his Oratorio "St. Paul," and his wish to write an opera in Paris.

(Trans.):—". . . I was very interested in what you said of my work and the performance in Paris; thanks very much.

"I must confess that I promise myself very little result from it. Later when I have succeeded in composing something better and bearing a more distinct stamp of the tendency that I have struck out for myself, I may venture to hope that one or other of my works may make its way there.

"The metronome figures for my 'St. Paul' . . . are indispensable for a performance of it. Do you think it advisable to begin with the 'Fingal's Cave overture'? Would it not be better for Hageneck first to have two or three overtures played at a Rehearsal to see what appeals to the Orchestra most. . . . Please correct an error in the printing of the full score and the parts in the 'Calm'; the allegro should be written Cl' instead of C and go very quickly, the last beat like the quarter beat in Beethoven's last part of his minor Symphony.

"I fancy now to write an Opera in Paris! You know how I should like to have the text written by Scribe and that for years I have been seeking a thoroughly beautiful subject for an opera. There are so many difficulties in the way of coming forward in Paris with a first work of that kind that I could really only think of doing so if I had produced a few operas on the Stage in Germany and there is no prospect of that at present as I have no good material at hand." Etc., etc.

## 419 MEREDITH (GEORGE, 1828-1909). Novelist and Poet.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO DR. JESSOPP.

3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> pp., 8vo. Dated from the Garrick Club, 30th January, N.Y.

£1 10s

A very fine letter communicating to Dr. Jessopp his decision to send his son Arthur to a school in Switzerland following his tuition under Dr. Jessopp at King Edward VI School, Norwich.

## 420 MEREDITH (GEORGE).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO T. H. S. ESCOTT.

3½ pp., 8vo. Dorking, 19th December, 1887. With Addressed Envelope.

"I think that when we spoke first of your History of the Commons we marked the beginning of the Parliamentary struggle as the point where you would descend from your contemplative heights to deal in active portraiture. Previously the kingly power was too potent for a dramatic exposition." Etc.

## 421 MEYERBEER (JACOB, 1791-1864). Famous Composer.

THIRTY AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED (IN FRENCH AND GERMAN) TO ARTISTS, MUSICIANS, MUSICAL CONDUCTORS, AND LEADING MEMBERS OF PARIS SOCIETY.

47 pp., 4to. Dated from Paris, Berlin and Ems, between 1827 and 1862.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. VII).

£21

An extremely interesting and important collection of letters chiefly on musical matters.

He regrets he would be unable to conduct the rehearsals of "The Prophet" in Naples, and gives detailed instructions concerning some changes he would propose in the part of "Bertha" (in "The Prophet"), if the part were to be played by Mme. Miolan Carvalho.

Meyerbeer thanks Costa, Director of Music at Covent Garden, for the great pains he has taken over the rehearsals of his overture for the Concert of the London Exhibition, and sends him a copy of this work in recognition of his wonderful performance.

He refers in grateful terms to the conductor of a military band who had given a splendid rendering of Meyerbeer's "Torch Dance," also mentioning "Le Pardon de Ploërmel" and "L'Etoile du Nord." He refers to the forthcoming representation of "Il Crociato in Egitto" at The Scala Theatre in Milan, and mentions his opera "Marguerite," and promises to work "with heart and soul" at the "Nymphe du Danube" to have it ready as quickly as possible.

One of Meyerbeer's letters is addressed to the well-known writer, Henri Blaze de Bury, who had written a play on Goethe's youth, for one act of which Meyerbeer had composed the music. In this letter the

# Meyerbeer (Jacob)—continued.

composer points out the difficulties of rehearsing such a piece in a short time and advised his friend to postpone the performance until the summer (1861). He also asks him to send him the whole piece "as it is of utmost importance to me to know the finished piece in order to see whether the preceding and the following acts justify the character of my music which I only composed after the general outline of the play which you had given to me."

422 MEYERBEER (JACOB, 1791-1864) and SPOHR (LOUIS, 1784-1859). Famous Composers.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED FROM MEYERBEER TO SPOHR.

1½ pp., 4to. 24th July, 1845.

Also AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED FROM SPOHR TO MEYERBEER.

2 pp., 4to. 29th July, 1845.

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Extremely interesting letters from Jacob Meyerbeer and Louis Spohr, two of the most famous German musical composers.

Meyerbeer writes to the members of the Royal Court Orchestra and suggests that a silver laurel wreath be presented to Spohr. This letter is signed by over eighty of the orchestra.

The letter from Spohr thanks the members of the orchestra for the wreath, and also for their splendid co-operation.

(Trans.):—"Surely there is not one amongst us who is not filled with love and admiration for the great German composer Spohr, who has been to us for many years a noble example of an artist and a man, and whose classical works have helped so effectively to spread the fame of German music throughout the world.
"Would you therefore not think it fit to offer to the Maestro on his present

stay here, a manifestation of our love and reverence?

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"The most suitable form for such a manifestation would no doubt have been a musical performance of some of his new great orchestral works which are not yet known here. But the shortness of his stay among us and the rehearsals for his opera which claim all his time will not allow us to carry out this plan.

"I should, therefore, like to suggest to you, dear Sirs, that we should order a silver laurel wreath, on the leaves of which the name of all members of the orchestra will be engraved, and which a deputation from our midst would present to him on the day of his departure."—(Meyerbeer to the Royal Court Orchestra).

Spohr's letter to the Orchestra reads:—

(Trans):—". . . On my joining the orchestra you gave me the kindest welcome possible, and in three rehearsals and two performances you gave so much attention to my new work and fulfilled so kindly all my wishes that it is hardly astonishing if everything was carried out in the most precise manner and in every way according to the composer's intentions. . . . "Indeed, there was no need of such a wonderful gift in order to make my stay in Berlin an unforgettable one for me; but your present, which highly honours me, makes it one of the culminating points of my artistic career, and I cannot look at it without being deeply moved." Etc.

"THAT CREATURE DICKENS, WHOSE LAST STORY, BLEAK HOUSE,"-MUCH THE WORST OF HIS THINGS . . . HAS THE VULGAR IMPUDENCE TO RIDICULE 'RIGHTS OF WOMEN'."

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Accompanying the letter is a copy of Mill's "Essay on Liberty,"

1859.

". . . I stupidly said nothing on Saturday about so important and interesting a matter as Chapman's proposal. . . I sent to Chapman the letter you drafted, exactly as it was, only choosing the phrases I preferred where you gave the choice of two. I think that to refuse was best, on the whole, for I should not like any more than you that that paper should be supposed to be the best we could do, or the real expression of our mind on the subject. This is not supposed on a mere review article written on a special occasion as that was, but would perhaps be so if the same thing were put out, years after, under your own auspices as a pamphlet. I only wish the better thing we have promised to write were already written instead of being in prospect. In any case the article will of course be in any collection or rather selection of articles which we may either publish in our life, or leave for publication afterwards, and whichever we do it shall be preceded by a preface which will shew that much of all my later articles. and all the best of that one, were, as they were, my darlings. That creature Dickens, whose last story, Bleak House, I found accidentally at the London Library the other day and took home and read, much the worst of his things, and the only one of them I altogether dislike, has the vulgar impudence in this thing to ridicule rights of women. It is done too in the very vulgarest way, just the stile in which vulgar men used to ridicule 'learned ladies' as neglecting their children and household, etc. I wrote a good spell at the new essay yesterday, and hope to get a good deal done to it this week. But I have not yet got to the part of the subject which you so beautifully sketched, having begun with examining the more commonplace view of the subject, the supposed necessity of religion for social purposes as a sanction for morality. I regard the whole of what I am writing or shall write as mere raw material, in what manner and into what to be worked up to be decided between us, and I am much bent upon getting

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"Are you still in town? I want to know all about you. Pray mention me to the Vessey's, and the Pepys's, who I suppose are almost all the leavings of

Pharsalia.

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The reference to Oxford being "vastly blue" is of particular interest. Boswell, in his "Life of Johnson," gives an account of the origin and character of the "Blue Stocking Clubs" and mentions that "Miss Hannah More has admirably described a Blue-Stocking Club in her 'Bas Bleu'."

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2 pp., folio. South Carolina, 4th November, 1706. £12 10s Complaining of malicious treatment by the Governor, Sir Nathaniel Johnson.

". . . After he had by one Illegal warrt. of committmt. kept me nigh 5 months in prison, ye Gaoll Delivery came, I presented myself to Tryall wth. 16 evidences to Attest my Innocence ye Evidences of ye Queen likewise attending, but Mr. Attorney Generall told me yt the Governors orders were yt he should prefer no Indictment against me but stay untill another Sessions 6 months hense, at weh time I must be at Expences to procure my Evidence, some of which live nigh 300 miles off.

"This sort of Treatmt. hath already exhausted nigh 300£ of my small Estate, and Governor Johnson pursues matters with such violence yt he endeavours to bring me to beggary, for he pretends yet after I'me harrassed & ruined here, hee'le procure her Majestyes mandamus, to send me to England, and all hath happened because ye Late Assembly were pleased to appoint me as ye best qualified pson in ye Province, to be one Agent among ye Savages, they paid Governor Johnson 400£ and 100£ per annum for passing one Act, to Regulate the many abuses, wch. the English traders Dayly comitted & which were a Constant cause of complaint. But his Honr. alwaies found his Account in them, ye most Calpable being most Industrous to procure presents for him." Etc.

435 NAPIER (SIR ARCHIBALD, 1st LORD NAPIER, 1576-1645). Treasurer Deputy of Scotland. Assisted Montrose.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "NAPER" TO THE EARL OF MORTON.

½-page, folio. King Street, 17th November, 1630. With full transcript.

"By the king his warrant concerning me, yor L, may find his pleasr, and that his Mtie is still himself, gratious and just, qualities as they are in them selves excellent, so I am confident, will never be eclipsed by yr Ls proceedings. If Yr Ls furtherance wer a matter of faivor I might be bashfull to be a suter, having never deserved. But it being a matter of justice and right, and wth all yor L, sufficiently warranted, it were an injurie to refuse it, and a neglect in me not to request it. I will therefor intreat yor L, to gif order to pay such moneys as ar due to me, to my brother Mr. Robert Naper, to whom I have geven power to gif discharges, woh I hope yr L will do. Although I know there be some men interested in yor affection, who have done me wrong, and therefore cannot forgive me, who will labor to disuade your L." Etc.

The letter has been mended.

436 NAPOLEON I (1769-1821). Emperor of the French.

LETTER SIGNED "BONAPARTE" WITH POSTSCRIPT OF EIGHT LINES IN HIS AUTOGRAPH ADDRESSED TO TALLEYRAND.

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2 pp., 4to. Paris, le 5 vendémiaire an XII (28th Sept., 1803). £210

A very interesting letter, with autograph postscript written by Napoleon, about Near Eastern affairs. The Minister is to send a letter to Constantinople with a letter in cipher to inform the French agent at Aleppo that Mecca and Jeddah have been captured. He must write to the chief of the Wahabis to find out if French ships would be allowed to navigate the Black Sea. The First Consul wishes to open up communications with Persia, and asks for information about the government to be obtained from General Brune.

"Je vous prie, Citoyen ministre, d'expédier un courrier à Constantinople avec une lettre en chiffre pour notre agént à Alep, par laquelle vous lui ferez connaître que si la prise de la Mecque et de Gedda se confirme, il doit prendre les moyens d'écrire au chef du Waabis. Il lui dira d'abord simplement que le Consul Bonaparte désire savoir si les Français qui pourraient naviguer dans la mer noire où se trouver dans les pays qu'il occuperait, seraient protégés par lui, et si dans le cas où il viendrait en Syrie et en Egypte, ils seraient sûrs d'être préservés du pillage et d'être considérés comme amis. . . .

"D'après la résponse qu'il recevra, il écrira et fera en sorte de se procurer des renseignements sur la situation et la force de cette nouvelle secte.

"Vous ecrirez au citoyen Rousseau pour lui faire connaître que je désirerais ouvrir des correspondances avec la Perse; que je suis mécontent qu'il n'écrive pas plus souvent, qu'il doit écrire au moins une fois par semaine, et par le retour du courrier, il devra vous envoyer un mémoire détaillé sur la Perse, et sur les chefs de cet état.

"Vous demanderez également au Général Brune, de prendre des renseignemens à Constantinople sur ceux qui commandent en Perse, et de vous envoyer un mémoire sur la situation de cette puissance; si même il y a sûreté, je désire qu'il envoye complimenter celui qui y commande. . . . .

"Si les Wabis marchaient sur la Syrie ou sur l'Egypte, il est nécessaire que notre agent à Alep soit autorisé à nous expédier un bâtiment exprès . . . soit grec, qui débarquerait, soit à Tarente, soit à Venise. Je mets de l'insistance à être prévenu avant tout le monde de la véritable force de cette secte."

# 437 NAPOLEON I. Emperor of the French.

LETTER SIGNED "NAPOL" TO GENERAL JEAN GÉRARD LACUÉE, COMTE DE CESSAC.

2 pp., 4to. Aranda, 28th November, 1808.

£65

A most important and interesting letter written during the Spanish Campaign, concerning a report sent by Lacuée, in which the Emperor found many errors, and ordering him to send another, corrected in accordance with this letter.

". . . Il faut que vous le fassiez corriger et que vous me le renvoyez, car dans l'état, où il est, il ne peut me servir. Par exemple, je vois le 11º regiment de Chasseurs porté à l'armée d'Espagne, c'est une erreur, ce régiment est à l'armée du Rhin. Le 32º de ligne est porté comme ayant les Compagnies de Grenadier & voltigeurs de son 4º bataillon à l'armée du Rhin, c'est à dire au corps d'Oudinot, c'est une erreur, ces deux compagnies ont été incorporées et ne comptent pas. Il n'est pas bien clair dans votre état où vous avez compris le régiment du marche de Louvain, si c'est à l'armée du Rhin, il fallait le dire dans une note, parceque cela n'est point exact, et ce régiment est encore à Louvain ". une note, parceque cela n'est point exact, et ce régiment est encore à Louvain."

## 438 NAPOLEON I. Emperor of the French.

DOCUMENT SIGNED "NAPOLEON."

1 page, folio (vellum). Breskens, 24th September, 1811. With small Impressed Seal. Also Signed by the Duc de Bassano. Appointing Sieur Antoine Asinaré, Comte de Saint-Marsan, Ambassador to Berlin, a post which he held till 1813.

# 439 [NAPOLEON I.] POPPLETON (THOMAS WILLIAM, 1775-1827).

Captain of the 53rd Regiment, and Orderly Officer at Longwood.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MRS. LOMAX.

3 pp., 4to. St. Helena, 15th March, 1817.

£10 10s

A long and interesting letter, written while stationed at St. Helena during Napoleon's captivity there, and mentioning the Emperor, and several of the English officers, and describing their life on the Island.

". . . With regard to my encounter with His Majesty, it is erroneously stated we never exchanged one syllable in consequence of his riding at a very great rate when out of my sight. I lost him altogether, but I did not trouble myself about him, and left him to join a party I was engaged to dine with. He returned when he pleased. I related what had happened to Admiral V. G. Cockburn, who was of the party, and he desired me if we rode out again not to lose sight of him and to ride near him; in the course of a day or two he sent to me to say he wished to ride. I sent word to him that I should attend him with pleasure, but that for the future I should ride near him if I chose not as his servant, that I should behave to him with every delicacy possible, that I should not interrupt or listen to his conversation, and if a wish was expressed by him to be left alone this would be complied with. The horses were unsaddled, his breakfast equipage unloaded, and he gave he was unwell; we have never ridden together since. A most terrible business was made of it, but not a word of truth. The French officers that were with him were determined at this time to misrepresent everything and to make him dislike the English; in this they completely succeeded for a length of time, but Napoleon has for some time past been of a

## [Napoleon I]: Poppleton (Thomas William)—continued.

contrary opinion and expressed himself highly pleased with myself. . . . I am the only responsible person for Napoleon. The Governor has not seen him for many months. . . All the line ships are here, and all longing to see my charge, but he will not see any of them. He is under very severe restrictions and will not quit his residence. If he chooses to go with me he can go where he pleases, but the Emperor of the French must stoop to ride with a British captain. He is not at all angry with me. On the contrary, he sent for me some time since and told me to tell the officers of the 53rd regiment that he was obliged to them for their delicacy towards him, that they were brave men, good soldiers, and that he esteemed them much." Etc.

## 440 NELSON (HORATIO, LORD, 1758-1805). Famous Admiral.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO CAPTAIN SOTHERON OF THE "EXCELLENT."

I page, 4to. Victory, 2nd July, 1805.

£10 10s

Promising that as soon as he has definite news of the enemy's fleet, Sotheron will be allowed to proceed to England.

## 441 NELSON (HORATIO, LORD).

DOCUMENT SIGNED TO THE SAME.

1½ pp., folio. Dated from the Victory at Maddalena, 14th January, £3 15s 1805.

Ordering Captain Sotheron to act as convoy to merchant ships leaving Naples, should "any political change of affairs at Naples render it necessary for His Majesty's subjects to leave that place."

## 442 NEWMAN (JOHN H., 1801-1890). Cardinal.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO DR. DOELLINGER. 4 pp., 8vo. Birmingham, 25th June, 1859. £10 10s

A long and extremely interesting letter relating to his Editorship of the "Rambler."

"... The truth is, our Bishop came to me after the publication of the May Rambler, and asked me to give up the Editorship. He did it in the most friendly way, and, as it has ever been my rule through life not to take any public

step or to commit myself to any public act, in opposition to legitimate authority, I shall not allow myself to be responsible for the Magazine after July.

"Sir John Acton, I suppose, will continue it, publishing at Longman's, not Burn's. For myself, I have told him that I do not mind my name being known as a writer, if he also gets the names of yourself, Fr. de Buck, Fr. Gretry, and

other foreign theologians of note.

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"And now as to your questions. I hear with great satisfaction from Sir J. A. in more explicit terms what you throw out in your letter, your readiness to answer Dr. Gillow. On various accounts I shall be glad of this. We shall all gain instruction from what you write, and while many desire to hear what you have to say, some almost challenge you to defend yourself. They think you leave out in your quotations what is said in St. Augustine's praise, but who ever doubted he was a supremely high authority, or has any writer dreamt of denying this. Then, they rely on the distinction between irrisistible or infallible. I fancy Mozley's book was answered in the Dublin." Etc.

443 NIGHTINGALE (FLORENCE, 1820-1910). Famous Nurse in the Crimean War.

THIRTEEN AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED TO SIR JOHN STRACHEY, ANGLO-INDIAN ADMINISTRATOR.

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A most interesting series of letters addressed to Sir John Strachey, who was President of the Permanent Sanitary Commission, entirely dealing with the subject of sanitation in India.

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"I beg leave to thank you very sincerely for your 'Second & Third Sections' of 'Cholera Epidemic of 1861' which you have been kind enough to send me, a most valuable work. And your commission is doing a great & good service.

"I send by this mail the 'Suggestions' for Sanitary Works for Indian Stations, drawn up in obedience to your minute of March 24. . . .

It was at one time thought that in London it would be necessary to avoid sanitary works, & trust to cleansing solely in districts inhabited by the poorer & least civilized Irish population. But for many years it has been found that they & even the 'dangerous classes,' thieves &c. appreciate wholesome domestic conveniences with water-supply, just as much as richer classes.

I beg to assure you that all who know anything about the matters in England have been delighted with the zeal, energy & sound sanitary knowledge, with which the Bengal Sanitary Commission, under your auspices, have set about their gigantic work, to which all that we have here is mere child's play. You have nothing to learn from us. . . We can shew you completed towns, where every house is drained & supplied with water, & the sewage applied

"You would see an Indian problem solved at Aldershot, where the camp is drained, supplied with water, and its sewage is being applied to agriculture. . . . . . . . . . . . . The first thing now to be done is :—that the Presidency Governments should have surveys made.

"The steps would be these: -1. The Sanitary Commissions to advise the Government as to the stations most requiring improvement. 2. Government to appoint a Committee to survey the station or town.

". . . It will not do for Sanitarians to die especially in such places as Calcutta. And I do trust the Sanitary Commission will always go to Simlah with the government, and visit the plague-spot in the Delta as little as possible.

"I am afraid you hardly think a tour of inspection of military Stations a

healthy occupation.

healthy occupation.

"Lower Bengal is, I suppose, the endemic centre of India. This, you will say, is only a theory. But at least it expresses one fact, viz. that of all parts of Northern India, Cholera & Fever are most apt to appear there. There, (as elsewhere,) after the epidemic has assumed a certain intensity it spreads & flies about like an incendiary lighting up the conflagration wherever there are materials ready to catch fire. However much the N.W. may be improved, cholera & fevers will remain indigenous in Lower Bengal. But, should you ever succeed in draining that huge swamp, and clothing it with crops, we shall hear little of Cholera. I would you had a ministry of Agriculture!

"The world's thanks are due to you for the amazing improvement in the health of Calcutta. Taken on the last 2 years, the death rate of Calcutta has been lower than that of Liverpool or Manchester." Etc.

444 NIGHTINGALE (FLORENCE).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO (DR. CHARLES J. B. WILLIAMS).

2½ pp., 8vo. London, 6th July, 1858.

£5 5s

Written shortly after her return from the Crimea.

"We (which, in my language, means the troops and I) have business tonight which, I am afraid, will prevent me from having the pleasure of seeing you." Etc.

NORTHUMBERLAND (SIR HUGH PERCY, 2nd DUKE OF, 1742-1817).

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"All our expectations of Peace have failed, and Lord Malmesbury has returned home again, making much such a figure, as he did on the former occasion. I have reason to believe that the Directory are resolved not to agree to any Peace with Mr. Pitt; they say that after his repeated Publick Declarations they cannot depend upon his sincerity, and that if they were to agree to a Peace with him to-day, he would undoubtedly break with them again, as soon as ever he felt himself able to do so. . . . How far this recent defeat of the Dutch Fleet by Admiral Duncan may make them change their opinion God only knows. It is indeed a very signal and material victory, tho it has cost us dear, the Dutch having fought with their usual sea bravery. Their fleet is by this blow almost entirely annihilated, and thus we are relieved from the Bugbear invasion in the North of Scotland or Ireland of which the dread was spread with uncommon pains. You and I who know what an invasion upon an Enemy's coast is, will not be much alarmed at such a threat, whilst our Navy rides triumphant in the Channel, and on the open seas. The Spaniards appear to have had enough of their last engagement with Lord St. Vincent, who writes me word that he cannot provoke them to come out of Cadiz, notwithstanding all the insults which he is daily offering them." Etc., etc.

446 O'CONNELL (DANIEL, 1775-1847). The "Liberator."

FOUR AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED TO HIS WIFE.

14 pages, 4to. London, Tralee, Waterford, Cork, 25th February, 1825, to 2nd August, 1826. £10 10s

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## O'Connell (Daniel)—continued.

"I wrote part of a letter at the Hotel this morning but unfortunately was summoned before the Committee for Irish affairs where I spent the far greater summoned before the Committee for Irish affairs where I spent the far greater part of the day. I was examined on various points, encrease of the peasantry in numbers, state of the peasantry, titles to Lands, rejecting of freeholds, freehold tenures, expences of Law proceedings, civil bill courts, Manor courts, civil bill ejectments, and I am to be examined again on Tuesday. It consumed a great deal of the day, and was therefore inconvenient. I was this morning with Sir H. Parnell to visit the Bishop of Norwich. A fair lively old gentleman he is. He is full of his anxiety for Catholic emancipation and I pray God he may live to be a Catholic himself. Nothing else has occurred to tell you darling and I believe you have more regular information on the subject of Catholic affairs, than any one else. The fact is darling that the Catholic Cause has certainly advanced in spite of its enemies. It is daily gaining ground, and gaining it in the best way upon the popular mind. The people are becoming better informed on the subject of the Catholic claims and Catholic religion." Etc.

"". Though you appear so anxious to be off for Kerry before my arrival in Dublin I hope I will disappoint you. I should so like to disappoint you, and my hopes are founded on this, that the election of Stuart now appears to me quite certain. I took my former opinions from timid persons here. My present is founded on actual experience. The Prints have gained over a sufficient number of the adverse voters to assure us a decided majority. We have

present is founded on actual experience. The Prints have gained over a sufficient number of the adverse voters to assure us a decided majority. We have already in town a sufficient number of the enemies forces to decide the victory. When I wrote last on Monday I was at Dromana. We started soon after for Cappoquin and Lismore, through the loveliest scenes in nature. I was with Stuart in his own chaise with four horses but we had no great occasion for they were taken off before we got to Cappoquin, and we were drawn by freeholders three miles into Lismore. I never had a notion of popular enthusiasm till I saw that scene. My name was often and often mixed with his. There were thousands covering the precipitous banks of the Black Water at Lismore. The Changlis covering the precipitous banks of the Black Water at Lismore. The Chapel is extremely spacious. It was crowded to suffocation. We made several harangues and your husband was as usual much cheered, but what was better the freeholders crowded in and put down their names in groups and they are all now arriving in shoals." Etc.

convicted for the murder of his wife. I am not quite satisfied with the verdict, and yet I conjecture that he did kill her, if so even you will admit that he deserves his fate. Darling it vexes me to think that I should be kept here by this unreasonable accident of Judge J——'s illness.

"Since I wrote the first page we got rid of two records, there remain but eleven. If we are lucky we will get over these tomorrow, but that I fear is too much to expect. I have besides some criminal briefs." Etc.

# 447 O'CONNOR (T. P., 1848-1929). Politician and Author.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO ARTHUR O'SHAUGHNESSY.

4 pp., 8vo. 15s

"Would you kindly give me a Memoir of you for the Cabinet of Irish Literature? You will see, in brief, the object of the work from the enclosed slip. You are, of course, on my list. I would also be obliged if you would point out to me which of your poems best represent you. The well-known one, I think it is the first in 'Music and Moonlight' suggests itself to me as one that shd. certainly be inserted." Etc.

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449 ORPEN (SIR WILLIAM).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (WITH SKETCH) TO C. S. HOOPE.

1 page, 4to. (London, 25th February, 1925).

£1 10s

". . You're quite right. I wasn't born till '78. The blighter who drew in the Jarvey was my eldest brother, now about 62. You see I am only a

"But I remember the Jarvey well and right good it was—age and Truth from the well and the puzzle pictures. I remember one like this [sketch]. The correct solution was 'I stood on the bridge at mid-night'—'may your shadow never grow less,' as the Wexford men say."

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THE MAINE BOUNDARY DISPUTE AND THE 1842 TREATY. 451 PALMERSTON (HENRY JOHN TEMPLE, VISCOUNT, 1784-1865). Statesman.

SIGNED TO AUTOGRAPH LETTER A LONG WILBRAHAM.

12 pp., 4to. Bracket, 13th December, 1842.

A very fine and extremely interesting letter concerning his objections to the Ashburton Treaty of August, 1842.

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Palmerston (Henry John Temple, Viscount)—continued.

He gives his opinion that no consideration or inducement should have led Great Britain to permit the Americans to set foot to the north of the St. John, as they could now, in case of war, easily enter Canada by way of Lake Champlain and down the River Richelieu, and could either turn right towards Quebec or left towards Montreal.

"... I proceed in the first instance to answer your questions.

"1st. The Madawaska Settlement is a considerable settlement for the part of the country in which it is situated. It extends for some distance along both banks of the St. John; but the best part of it is on the Southern Bank now ceded to the United States. The people have frequently and strongly remonstrated against being transferred to the United States. They are chiefly French Canadians, though mixed up with some of the English descent, and the French and Catholic Canadians dislike of all things the notion of being handed over to the Anglo Saxon Republicans of Maine.

"3rd. We retain in fact no military Frontier on the north west part of the disputed Territory, and we have ceded to the United States a long and broad

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"In fact we have allowed them to run up so far north that in war any communication by post unless escorted by a large detachment will become impossible by land between New Brunswick and Canada. Another inconvenience will be that the United States Frontier will be brought so near Quebec that it will afford great facilities to our men to desert if so inclined. A considerable part of this wedge, and certainly all of it north of the St. John, can be of no use whatever to the Americans as Territory or as communication between any other two portions of their Territory. The only possible object for which they made such a point of obtaining it, must be that it may on suitable occasion serve them as a vantage ground for attack or annoyance against us. No consideration or inducement ought to have led us to permit them to set foot to the north of the St. John; and they never would have got there without our permission.

"It is true as you say that this would not be a point from whence they would probably make any serious attack even on Quebec; but it is a position which would enable them to impede very considerably all interchange of reinforcements and supplies of stores, etc., between Canada and New Brunswick. The main line of attack would, as you say, be from Lake Champlain and down the River Richelieu which runs from that lake into the St. Lawrence, and from that avenue they could turn to the right towards Quebec or to the left towards Montreal, as best might suit

real, as best might suit them.

452 PAPINEAU (LOUIS JOSEPH, 1787-1871). Canadian Revolutionist. Regarded as head of French Canadian party. Opposed the union of Upper and Lower Canada, and agitated against the imperial government. At the rebellion of 1837 a warrant was issued against him for high treason, but he escaped to Paris. He returned to Canada, pardoned, in 1847.

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"Adressez vous mes remerciments à la royal société italienne d'hygiène pour son aimable invitation."

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10s 6d

An interesting letter referring to forthcoming elections in Scotland.

"... I am told also, from pretty good hands, that young Lovat proposes himself to be a candidate for the shire of Inverness, and that Macleod has actually qualified him for that purpose. . . I hope Mr. Campbell will succeed in the Shire of Air. I have got the King to declare for him." Etc.

Pelham is mentioned by Walpole in his "Memoirs of George II"

and in the "Letters."

## 450 PENN (WILLIAM, 1644-1718). Quaker. Founder of Pennsylvania. DOCUMENT SIGNED.

I page, oblong folio (vellum). Philadelphia, 20th January, 1684.

Confirming the grant of 600 acres of land known as "Burton's Delight " in the county of Kent, Pennsylvania, to John Burton, his heirs and assigns, in consideration of an annual payment of one bushel of winter wheat for each hundred acres.

# 460 PENN (WILLIAM).

SILVER MEDAL BY LEWIS PINGO, COMMEMORATING THE FOUNDING OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Obverse. Bust of William Penn, with inscription "William Penn, b. 1644, d. 1718."

Reverse. Penn clasping the hand of an Indian, with inscription "By deeds of Peace, Pensylvania, setled 1681." £2 10s

The medal measures  $4\frac{3}{4}$  inches in circumference.

Lewis Pingo (1743-1800), medallist, succeeded his father as assistant-engraver at the Mint, 1776, chief engraver, 1779-1815.

461 **PEPYS** (SAMUEL, 1633-1703). Diarist.

LETTER SIGNED TO ADMIRAL ARTHUR HERBERT.

3<sup>3</sup> pp., folio. Admiralty, 1st July, 1685.

A very fine letter of the greatest interest and importance concerning the forces which were being raised to oppose the Duke of Monmouth. who was leading the English rising in the west of England, helped by Argyll, who was at the head of a simultaneous action in Scotland.

". Ye three Scotch Regimts. ordd. from Holland for Scotland are very seasonably (after a whole month's sore beating it at Sea) come into ye River of Thames, where they will be a verry happy Recruite to his Maty. after parting wth. so much of his other forces to look after ye Duke of Monmouth. Nor shall wee be long without a further supply of as many more English Regimts. now shipped to yt. purpose from ye same place.

"His Maty. found it necessary to send the Marriott into St. George's Channell to convoy some vessells of ammunition to Ireland & Chester.

"He has also upon some late advice touching the Enemies proceedings thought it necessary to have a ship upon ye watch betwn ye Coast of Limington & ye Isle of Wight & thereupon appointed ye Reserve Loy!. Service. But I presume that occasion will not last long. And yt. at the same time ye uncertaine alterations almost every day in the Motions of ye Enemy gives his Maty. occasions of changeing his Measures for ye disposing of his Shipps as often. Witness that wech, occasioned his sudden orders to you this morning." Etc.

Soon after the death of Charles II and the accession of James II, Monmouth discussed a concerted plan of action between the English exiles and Argyll. Monmouth was soon ready to co-operate, and an interview between Argyll and Monmouth ended in an agreement for simultaneous action in Scotland under their respective leadership. Monmouth and Lord Grey determined to make the west the scene of the English rising, while other risings were to follow in London and Cheshire.

"A FLAG OF TRUCE TO NEWFOUNDLAND FROM BOSTON." 462 PICKERING (WILLIAM). Captain of a Boston ship. Sent by Governor of Massachusetts to enquire into the capture of St. John's, Newfoundland, by the French.

AUTOGRAPH MANUSCRIPT SIGNED. BEING HIS REPORT TAKEN FROM HIS JOURNAL OF HIS MISSION TO NEWFOUNDLAND; AND HEADED "A BREVEATT OF MY JOURNALL IN YE BRIGENTEENE HOOPE, A FLAG OF TRUCE TO NEWFOUNDLAND FROM BOSTON."

I page, folio. May, 1709.

£7 10s

He records in detail all his observations, but apparently he was not able to obtain much definite information, meeting with bad weather. He, however, reports:

"On Wensday ye 11th day; about 4 of ye clock we wentt into Coplin Bay by Ferriland, and speak with the people, on ye Ile of Boyse, with stand on there gard aboutt two hundred in all, and there was Ebenezor Swan of Boston. The people told me that Saint Johns Fort and Castell was burnt and all the stores and artillery carried away." Etc.

# 463 PINERO (SIR ARTHUR W., 1855-1934). Dramatist.

"THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY." AUTOGRAPH MANUSCRIPT SIGNED OF THIS PLAY.

127 pp., 4to. 1892.

£125

The original manuscript of the most famous of Pinero's plays which is said to have initiated the modern English social drama. It was first performed at the St. James's Theatre, 27th May, 1893.

Accompanying the manuscript are congratulatory letters to Pinero from Henry James, F. C. Burnand, Edmund Yates, Luke Fildes, Sir John Hare, Mrs. Patrick Campbell, J. H. McCarthy and Edmund Gosse.

## 464 POPE (ALEXANDER, 1688-1744). The famous Poet.

AUTOGRAPH RECEIPT SIGNED FOR A SUBSCRIPTION OF TWO GUINEAS FOR POPE'S TRANSLATION OF HOMER'S ILIAD.

I page, narrow oblong 8vo. N.D.

£18 18s

An extremely interesting and rare document entirely in the hand of Alexander Pope.

## 465 POPE (ALEXANDER).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MR. DUNCOMBE.

1 page, small 4to. Twickenham, 6th May, 1735. £15 15s

"... I beg you to accept of ye new volume of my things just printed, which will be deliver'd you by Mr. Dodsley, the author of ye Toyshop who has just set up a Bookseller, & I doubt not, as he has more sense, so will have more honesty than most of that profession."

This refers to Volume II of Pope's "Works" which was advertised in the Grub-street Journal in April, 1735. Straus, in his work on *Dodsley*, gives the date of publication as May 17th, but this is obviously a mistake, as in this letter dated 6th May Pope presents his Works to Duncombe.

## THE CAPTURE OF BUENOS AYRES.

466 POPHAM (SIR HOME, 1762-1820). Rear-Admiral.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO SIR EVAN NEPEAN. 6 pp., 4to. Rio de la Plata, 19th July, 1806. £10 10s

An extremely interesting letter regarding the surrender of Buenos Ayres, the possibility of Montevideo sending out a Flag of Truce, and asking for more men to be sent to his assistance.

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## Popham (Sir Home)—continued.

In April, 1806, Popham was informed that the inhabitants of Buenos Ayres and Montevideo, both under Spanish rule, were so discontented that they would offer no resistance to a British expedition. Popham decided, upon his own responsibility, to make an attempt upon these places. Notwithstanding his success, he was recalled to England and court-martialled for having quitted his station at the Cape of Good Hope without orders.

'I have just returned from Buenos Ayres to despatch the Narcissus with the account of the capture of that City, & I shall then proceed to the blockade of Montevideo, which I think may in the course of a short time send out a Flag of Truce, tho I really am not sanguine enough to wish it, for we can not garrison both places, without extreme difficulty, & as I am always thrown into situations of that kind, I think the proposition a likely one.

"As I know you have allways had a tender feeling for South America. I hope you will apply it to those who have been rash & irregular enough to undertake the conquest of its principal Capital without orders. . . .

"It was impossible for me without a total change of my nature to receive such various accounts of the defenceless State of the Enemy without hazarding a little to achieve a glorious Enterprise, & here we are, & in plain English with this little Squadron of five Ships have taken in the course of six months the capitals of South Africa & South America." Etc.

467 PORTSMOUTH (LOUISE DE KEROUAILLE, DUCHESS OF, 1649-1734). Mistress of Charles II.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (IN FRENCH) TO THE LORD TREASURER.

2 pp., 4to. N.D.

£6 18s

Concerning the bad state of her affairs and begging for help.

The letter is addressed to the Lord Treasurer, Lord Danby, to whom, it is said, that she at one time granted a share of her favours.

#### PEACE OF RYSWICK.

468 PRIOR (MATTHEW, 1664-1721). Poet and Dramatist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MR. SECRETARY BLATHWAYT.

1½ pp., folio. The Hague, 10th October, 1697.

Written from Holland when acting as secretary in the negotiations at the Treaty of Ryswick.

"I have this Evening received the ratification and laid your letter of yester-day before their Excelloss who will according to His Maj<sup>ties</sup> orders confer with the Pension and Ministers of the States and proceed conjointly with them in what regards France's ratifying with Spain before their Excelles proceed to exchange our ratification.'

The letter then continues as to certain passes for sailing of ships.

## 469 RECICIDES.

DOCUMENT SIGNED BY THE REGICIDES, NICHOLAS LOVE, CORNELIUS HOLLAND, AND THOMAS LORD GREY OF GROBY. ALSO SIGNED BY HENRY MILDMAY.

1½ pp., folio. Westminster, 9th December, 1651. £2 2s

Addressed to Thomas Fauconbridge, Receiver-General of the Public Revenue, ordering a sum of money to be paid to William Doyle, minister of the Parish Church of Peters in Hereford, with receipt on reverse.

470 RICHMOND AND LENNOX (FRANCES THERESA STUART, DUCHESS OF, 1648-1702). Known as "La Belle Stuart." Remarkable for her beauty. Maid of Honour to Queen Catherine of Braganza. Mistress of Charles II. Eloped from Whitehall with 3rd Duke of Richmond, but returned to Court after her marriage.

AUTOGRAPH DOCUMENT SIGNED "F. RICHMOND AND LENOX."

½-page, small 4to. N.D. Circa 1673.

£10 10s

A particularly interesting document entirely in the hand of one of the most famous mistresses of King Charles II, and bearing a fine specimen of her very rare signature.

It concerns money due by her to one of her servants "while I was the Duke of Richmond's wife."

"I acknowledge to owe to Winefrid Edwards housemaid Three pounds six shillins and eight pence for wages due to her while I was the Duke of Richmond's wife, in witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand.—F. Richmond & Lennox."

471 ROBERTS OF KANDAHAR (FREDERICK S., EARL, 1832-1914). Field-Marshal.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO "MY DEAR MACFARLAN."

1 page, 8vo. Camp n/r Quetta, 4th April, 1887. £1 5s

Written while Commander-in-Chief in India.

"Tell young Campbell to apply through the Quetta District authorities for the Bengal Staff Corps. If any difficulties are raised and he will write to Pole Carew, they shall be removed." Etc.

472 ROBESPIERRE (AUGUSTIN BON JOSEPH DE, THE YOUNGER, 1764-1794). French Revolutionary Politician. Guillotined in July, 1794.

DOCUMENT SIGNED.

I page, folio. Nice, 17th September, 1793. Also signed by Paul Barras and L. S. Fréron. £12 10s

Ordering Citizen Garnier to pay 7,000 livres to Citizen Haller "pour le service des Charrois."

473 ROCHAMBEAU (DONATIEN M. J. DE VIMEUR, VICOMTE DE, 1750-1813). Served in America 1780-1. Governor of the Windward Isles.

TWO AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED ON ONE SHEET TO THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

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Stating that the English continue to capture American merchant vessels, and enter and leave American ports as they please; the natives of St. Vincent (one of the English West Indies) have burnt some of the plantations and have been suppressed by Governor Setton; the natives of Santa Lucia have attacked the English; the negroes of Grenada have taken possession of part of the Island; two little boats from a fleet of five passing from the Isles du Vent to America have been captured by the English.

The second letter gives the state of the Lesser Antilles, of which St. Christophers, Nevis, Montserrat, Antigua, des Saintes, Dominica, Martinique, Barbados, Tobago and part of San Domingo are in the hands of the British. The United States Government is considering the treaty concluded with England by Mr. Tay. The British Minister Hammond has been recalled and is to be Under-Secretary of State, and Mr. Richmond Ryder is replacing him. Adet has arrived at Newport.

The islands of Guadeloup, Desirade, Marie Galante, St. Lucia (except Morne Fortune), Grenada, part of San Domingo, St. Eustatus, and Saba are under French protection. In St. Vincent the Caraibes are masters of the island except the fort.

474 ROSSETTI (DANTE GABRIEL, 1828-1882). Poet and Painter.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (INITIALS) TO "DEAR BROWN."

2 pp., 8vo. N.D.

£1 8s

". . . I am sorry I am to miss your ladies visit, but it will be for another time. I enclose Bruce's answer & a bit of a letter from Dr. Halke to George. The latter part contains a suggestion as to your affairs—whether feasible or not I am uncertain." Etc.

475 ROSSETTI (DANTE GABRIEL).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "D.G.R." (ON CARD) TO ARTHUR O'SHAUGHNESSY.

Cheyne Walk (14th November, 1870).

10s 6d

#### ON SHELLEY.

476 ROSSETTI (WILLIAM M., 1829-1919). Brother of D. G. Rossetti. A Pre-Raphaelite. Edited "The Germ." Author of "Memoirs of Shelley" and other works. Edited an Edition of Shelley's Poems.

A SERIES OF SIX LETTERS TO THE REV. F. S. FLEAY, THE SHAKESPEARIAN SCHOLAR, extending to 24 pp., 8vo. (1870). £6 6s

These letters deal extensively with Shelley and his writings. The Rev. F. S. Fleay was at the time engaged on an Essay on Shelley.

"Thanks for your letter. That affair of the ranging the lines of verse gave me an amount of plague wh. I'm sure no one who has not gone thro' the like Caudine Fork cd suppose: no degree of correct marking in the original copy or in subsequent proofs wd. persuade the printer to keep right—I am uniformly right, for a great deal has at last come into print as I intended. As soon as I received the printed-off sheets, I read them all thro' marking every inaccuracy I observed, of whatever sort—and among others these mismanaged lines. It is no doubt conceivable that you have observed some instances wh. after all escaped me." Etc.

"... All the long poems are now in print, and the short poems up to 1817. I have just put in one of your emendations 'fly' instead of 'flee' in 'that time is dead for ever child.' 'Pale and wild' (not ghast) is very tempting: I have however (perhaps too punctiliously) adhered to the test, and shall give your amendation in a note. 'Wh. between the earth and sky doth form' (not lay) the like. Shelley must I suppose have written lay, tho' it is fearful anti-grammar.

"It would have been simply impossible for me to omit paying you in the notes the tribute wh. is so simply your due as the earliest and most systematic of Shelley emendators—not to speak of my personal obligation to you. Before I read your last letter the following (apropos to 'wh. swayed in the red flame') was already, in print. "Since making this correction, I learn that it had been pointed out as necessary in 1859, in the Provincial magazine, by the Rev. F. S. Fleay (now at the Grammar School, Hipperholme, near Halifax), who has obligingly communicated to me this and some other important emendations.' Also there already are 2 or 3 other notes giving your name, and will be others still." Etc.

"I was extremely obliged to you for your emendations of Shelley (not as yet known to me in their printed form). I see you have paid great attention to the rhyming, wh. I of necessity did also, reading every rhyme, as such, in the whole book. You have anticipated some of the emendations wh. I thus conceived to be necessary—and you have besides, I see, made various ingenious conjectures to avoid non-rhymes. As editor, however, I shd. not feel warranted in introducing such alterations, where it seems clear that Shelley in his last way, really did write and mean to write lines that investigation shows to be rhymeless." Etc.

"I now see the question of autumn in the same light that you do. I decidedly think you have restored the true reading, and shall introduce it into the text. . . .

"In the ode to Naples you point out a passage (I forget the precise reference) where the final word God remains rhymeless—and then you propose to change a succeeding Fate into Fraud. Fate is not the final word of a line. I don't see how it, or its substitute Fraud, can well be made final, and, failing this, the defect of rhyme remains uncorrected. Neither do I see any grounds other than that of rhyme, in wh. Fraud is to be preferred to Fate, wh. latter word, in its content, seems to me to mean 'the allotted term of existence,' 'the span of life'—or (taking the obverse of the same conception) "death.'" Etc.

477 RUPERT (PRINCE, 1619-1682). Royal General in the Civil War. Admiral of the Fleet under Charles II. Established Hudson Bay Company.

DOCUMENT SIGNED TO THE OFFICERS AND COM-MISSIONERS OF THE NAVY.

1 page, folio. Whitehall, 25th November, 1667.

Written soon after the return of the English fleet after the second Dutch War.

Prince Rupert instructs the Commissioners to allow provisions for all the supernumeraries who were carried on the ship Defiance between the 20th July and the 3rd October.

In the narrative of the miscarriages in the management of the war which Prince Rupert drew up for the House of Commons he complained bitterly that want of provisions obliged the fleet to abandon the blockade which his attack on the Dutch coast had made possible.

## ON "ALICE IN WONDERLAND."

478 SALA (GEORGE AUGUSTUS, 1828-1896). Journalist, Novelist and Book-Illustrator.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MRS. SKIRROW.

2 pp., 12mo. London, 20th January, 1879.

An interesting letter referring to Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland " and " Through the Looking Glass."

". . . Touching the song of the 'Walrus and the Carpenter,' I have but an imperfect remembrance of 'Alice in Wonderland.' My liking for it was swallowed up by the more intense admiration which I felt for 'Through the Looking Glass.' But surely 'Alice' may be found on a thousand drawing room tables. Is this a 'catch' question.

''Touching the 'earliest riddle on record' I can only (at present) remember that in Judges XIV. 12, Samson says 'I will now put forth a riddle to you,' and that in Ezekiel XVII. 2, occurs 'Son of man, put forth a riddle.' But the clever young masters and missis may be able to show that there were many riddles earlier than these." Etc.

479 SANDBY (PAUL, 1725-1809). Landscape Painter and Engraver. R.A. AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO WILLM, CHAMBERS,

> 2½ pp., 4to. Windsor Great Park, 4th September, 1769. £5 58 Entirely relating to his work.

480 SCHILLER (FRIEDRICH VON, 1759-1805). Famous German Poet and Historian.

> AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO PROFESSOR HUFELAND. 4 pp., 8vo. Weimar, 21st February, 1788.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. VIII).

£42 10s

A splendid letter of extraordinary literary and personal interest. It was written after the publication of Schiller's "History of the Netherlands " and just before his appointment as Professor of History at Jena University.

(Trans.):—"Many thanks, my dearest friend, for your fine and discriminating criticism of my History of the Netherlands, for your kindness in fulfilling

my wish and for the subtlety with which you knew how to conceal what a great part your friendship has had in it.

"That you have taken the trouble to spread a favourable light on the good sides of this book is all the more valuable to me in this moment when it has pleased heaven to throw me into this new career, for which a certain advance of

pleased heaven to throw me into this new career, for which a certain advance of credit will be of great use to me."

"I should have liked to write you long ago how much the pleasure in my new appointment is enhanced by the prospect of living in closer contact with you; but I have been uncertain about this matter up till now and did not want to write too soon. Now it seems to be as good as definite, and from Easter I shall be one of you. Reinhold will have to leave off his abstract way of living and will have to bring sacrifices to the joy of life. I am told that he has seriously endangered his health by his confounded intensity. Really, he must discontinue this; for who will thank us for it, if we study until we are fit for the hospital?

"Please assure the Reinholds and Schätzers of my friendship and love. I am looking forward to living amongst you dear people and I expect much that is

am looking forward to living amongst you dear people and I expect much that is beautiful from our living together in future.

"To return to the review. I know your strict principles on historical truth and accuracy and must therefore admire all the more the rare sense of fairness. which, in criticising my book, made you choose a point of view from which it could best hold its own against these strict demands. Few men would have been

able and still fewer would have been willing to do this!

"The only mistake you point out is the fault of the copyist. Various other points on which you touch I shall be glad to discuss with you when we meet."

The well-known philosopher, Christian L. Reinhold, mentioned in the above letter, was a prolific writer on philosophical subjects and the son-in-law of Wieland.

481 SCOTT (SIR WALTER, 1771-1832). Novelist and Poet.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO "MY DEAR ROSE." 3 pp., 4to. Abbotsford, 4th September (1822).

A long and extremely interesting letter entirely dealing with his duties as stage-manager for the reception of George IV at Edinburgh. Scott arranged everything, from the ordering of a procession to the cut of a button and the embroidering of a cross. The local magistrates, bewildered and perplexed with the rush of novelty, threw themselves on him for advice and direction about the merest trifles. Ere the greenroom in Castle Street had dismissed provosts, and bailies, and deaconconveners of the trades of Edinburgh, it was sure to be besieged by swelling chieftains, who could not agree on the relative positions their clans had occupied at Bannockburn.

It required all Scott's unwearied good-humour to hear in becoming (Continued over)

Scott (Sir Walter)—continued.

gravity the spluttering controversies of such fiery rivals, each regarding himself as a true potentate, the representative of Princes as ancient as Bourbon.

Scott showed an enthusiasm scarcely justified by the personal character of the monarch. He begged a glass out of which the King had drunk his health to be kept as a relic. This being granted, the precious vessel was immediately wrapped up and carefully deposited in what he conceived to be the safest part of his dress. On returning to Castle Street he found the poet Crabbe had arrived in the midst of the tumultuous preparations for the royal advent. The royal gift was forgotten in the excitement that followed, the ample skirt of the coat within which it had been packed, and which he had held cautiously in front of his person, slipped back to its more usual position—he sat down beside Crabbe and the Royal gift was crushed to atoms. Fortunately, the glass only was injured.

His Majesty with such a Row in its train as might be truly termed Royal in all senses of the word.

Amongst other charges I had that of all the clans consisting of about 300 wild highlanders completely armed so that the house rang with broadswords and tarkets and pipes from daybreak to sunset. I had all sorts of difficulties to smooth and all sorts of scruples to reconcile and all sorts of quarrels to accommodate and was in close and constant communication for the whole time with every kind of society, Creed, profession, and public body in Scotland from the peers down to the porters. I speak according to the letter. Fortunately the will of all being excellent we contrived that the whole dimensions of the population should be the most regular and inspiring which you ever saw; so that I was fully, even overpaid for my fatiguing exertions by seeing the country and city make the most striking appearance that perhaps any people ever did before a prince. There was on one day sixty thousand people at least drawn up on the streets of Edinburgh without the least appearance I do not say of riot but even of crowding and inconvenience. All stood perfectly firm and untill the King had passed quite silent while his progress was marked by a rolling cheer which accompanied him from the palace to the castle, each body taking it up when he came in front of them for they were all separated with their own different classes and crafts, an excellent receipt for ensuring good order among the most riotously disposed." Etc.

## 482 **SCOTT** (SIR WALTER).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

I page, 4to. Abbotsford, 1st August, 1819.

£17 10s

An extremely interesting and important letter referring to his financial affairs. He assures his correspondent that should his good health continue, he should realize, by his novels, more than £10,000 which he made in 1817.

At this time Scott was pouring out the series of novels which made him famous—"Waverley," "The Lord of the Isles," "Guy Mannering," "Rob Roy," and "The Heart of Midlothian."

". . . I have also to pay Nicol Milne another £1000 presently. But I have funds coming round for all, & means of making more. Please God but to continue my health I will realize as much this year as in 1817 which was more than £10,000."

## 483 **SCOTT** (SIR WALTER).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER (3RD PERSON).

1-page, 4to. N.D.

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#### 484 SHAKESPEARE MEDAL.

Obverse. Bust of Shakespeare with inscription "William Shakspere."

Reverse. Shakespeare's Birthplace with inscription "The House in which 'the Immortal Bard' was born at Stratford upon Avon 1564."

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The medal measures 4½ inches in circumference.

#### DEFENCE OF CAPE BRETON.

485 SHIRLEY (WILLIAM, 1694-1771). Colonial Governor. Directed capture of Louisburg in 1745. Instigated expulsion of the French from Canada.

LETTER SIGNED TO HENRY PELHAM, THE FAMOUS STATESMAN.

5½ pp., folio. Boston, 20th January, 1746.

ALSO DOCUMENT showing the charges on the pay of the soldiers stationed at the garrison at Louisburg.

1½ pp., 4to. £18 18s

A long and very interesting letter referring to the difficulties he and Sir William Pepperell were experiencing in enlisting men for the regiments they had been commissioned to raise for the defence of Cape Breton.

Shirley refers to the siege of Louisburg which took place in June, 1745, and informs Pelham that the soldiers were extremely discontented at being kept in the garrison at Louisburg during the winter of 1745-6, and were not inclined, therefore, to enlist in the regiments he and Sir William Pepperell were raising for the defence of Cape Breton.

"Four days ago I had the honour of receiving his Majesty's commission for the command of one of the two regiments to be forthwith raised for the defence and service of Cape Breton, for which mark of his royal favour I shall ever esteem myself most strongly bound in duty to his Majesty, and in gratitude to the Duke of Newcastle and you, sir, and shall lose no time for endeavouring to raise the Regiment; But am afraid I shall not receive the least assistance in doing it from the officers, whose commissions have been filled up in England, as they will not only be without any interest among the people, but will lye under the further disadvantage of being thought to exclude the American officers who have gone through the service of the late Expedition, and I find are greatly disappointed at not sharing more of the commissions for the two American regiments, than they are likely to do; and may probably in their present chagrin use their influence with the soldiers under their command at Louisburg to disthe command of one of the two regiments to be forthwith raised for the defence

## Shirley (William)—continued.

## 486 SHIRLEY (WILLIAM).

LETTER SIGNED TO THE SAME.

8 pp., folio. Boston, 13th September, 1748.

£15 15s

A long and extremely interesting letter relating to the Earl of Newcastle's request for a full account of the expenses incurred for the "late intended expedition against Canada."

The attack of Louisburg in 1745 was looked upon by Shirley only as a step towards a complete conquest of Canada, and the success of the siege at once raised his hopes. Instigated by him, the English ministry approved of an expedition against Canada, and a force of over eight thousand men was raised, principally from the northern colonies. The British force which was to have co-operated was, however, detained either by bad weather or by the blundering of the ministry, and nothing came of the attempt, and the above letter by Shirley deals with the accounts of the governors of the respective colonies who intended to partake in the proposed expedition.

## 487 SHIRLEY (WILLIAM).

LETTER SIGNED TO THE SAME.

4 pp., folio. Boston, 24th August, 1748.

£10 10s

Referring to a meeting held in New York for the cultivation of a friendship with the Indians of the Six Nations, and stating that part of the assembly were attempting to weaken the power of the English Government.

ON THE DANISH AND SWEDISH NEGOTIATIONS.

488 **SIDNEY** (ALGERNON, 1622-1683). Famous Republican Patriot. Son of the Earl of Leicester. Tried, condemned and beheaded for alleged complicity in the Ryehouse Plot.

A VERY LENGTHY AND MOST IMPORTANT AUTOGRAPH LETTER TO HIS FATHER THE EARL OF LEICESTER.

5 pp., folio. Copenhagen, 22nd May, 1660.

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Of great historical importance and of extreme rarity, written a few days prior to the Restoration, from Copenhagen, where he was sent as one of the Commissioners to mediate between the Kings of Denmark and Sweden. In this letter he enters at great length into detail concerning the negotiations which he had just brought to a successful termination; he concludes by speaking of his proposed return home and course of action in view of the impending Restoration.

The letter is entirely in the hand of Algernon Sidney, but being addressed to his father, the Earl of Leicester, is not signed; the Earl has, however, endorsed it on the back.

489 **SIMCOE** (JOHN GRAVES, 1752-1806). First Governor of Upper Canada. Founded Toronto. Commanded the famous "Queen's Rangers" in the American War.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO REV. R. HOLE.

1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> pp., 4to. 12th May, circa 1803.

£15 15s

A very interesting letter, in which he states that war is inevitable (France declared war on England 22nd May, 1803), and mentions the differences between Pitt and Addington, who at this time had rival ministries.

". . . I expect to see you soon as War is, in all appearance inevitable. Whether I shall reside at Exeter or Plymouth yet, as yet, I know not. I have scarcely, as you may suppose, seen Mr. Addington. He has been so employed in public affairs & harassed by the injurious conduct of Mr. Pitt towards him." Etc.

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